

WASHINGTON GOSSIP

Senatorial Trifles Cost Much Money

WASHINGTON.—The vanities, follies and eccentricities of statesmen are brought a trifle further into the limelight through the secretary of the senate's annual report, made public in congress. It discloses the little odds and ends of luxury and comfort near a senator's hearth, when it can be obtained at government expense.

From May 1 to June 28 there were 227 cases of apoplectic visits furnished the senate, costing \$1,855. Taxicabs for taking senators home at the close of sessions cost \$110. Twenty-six boxes of lemons were used during the month of July last year. They cost more than \$175. It required two barrels of granulated sugar, costing \$36.20, to sweeten them.

Five gallons of witchhazel cost \$3.25. One dozen bottles soda mint and peppin tablets to cure indigestion were purchased for \$44.20. Three large bottles of bromo seltzer were worth \$2. Nineteen dozen of assorted hair brushes cost \$3.20. Ten cases of soap were obtained for \$27.50. Twenty-four dozen white brooms—agrated \$50.

One bag of ground lump salt cost \$1. Two ounces of quinine sold 20 cents, one quart of oil, 40 cents; one dram oil rose, \$1, and two bottles of salubripa, 50 cents. Two thousand quinine pills were bought. The small items of the pharmacy and toilet cost \$21,817. One pound of snuff, to replenish the two boxes just within the senate chamber cost 80 cents.

When a senator wants to look really dressed up he must have a pair of white gloves, and ten dozen of these, costing \$21.50, is one senatorial expense item. Some senators like to cozy up to look nice and offer for old home visitors, to twenty-three yellow sofa pillows figure in the list.

The items in the report, printed in list type, cover over more than 700 pages. Any one who has a furking suspicion of the senators' how practically nothing against their annual allowance of \$125 for stationery, and they are given a refund of the amount. Others were heavy stationery users, the amount of their communication account being small.

Crop of Capital Rumors Is Abundant

THE legislative season is dull, the rumor crop is very large, and it has been what might be called a season of denial in the capital. Recently shiverings of changes in the president's cabinet were afoot, and they multiplied so rapidly and as assumed so distorted shapes that they led to vigorous denials from the White House authorities. The two in particular that were whispered around were the resignation of Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh and the elevation of Mr. Felt's secretary, Charles D. Norton, to the place, and the elevation of Congressman James A. Tawney to the position now occupied by Secretary of the Interior Richard A. Ballinger. Both called forth the most vigorous denials.

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Postal Thieves Reported Plentiful

NUMEROUS complaints are coming daily to the postoffice department at Washington caused by the losses of packages and money. Mails are easy to rob, but the postal thieves escape detection. They are sure to be caught and punished in the end. No thief is harder to catch than those who rob the government's mail. Their methods are skilful and the plunder is easily hidden or destroyed. Postoffice thieves are not arrested every day, although valuable letters and other articles are stolen almost daily and an army of sharp inspectors are on the watch. Positive proof of guilt must be in the possession of the inspector before an arrest is made. Circumstantial evidence does not go at any time. In almost every case an arrest means conviction.

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THE GROWTH OF TOWNS IN WESTERN CANADA

A BAROMETER OF THE GROWTH OF THE AGRICULTURAL DISTRICTS.

The traveler passing through a country is impressed favorably or otherwise by the appearance of the towns along the line of railways. As they appear prosperous and of healthy growth by once acrossed, he is struck that there is either a local industrial factor to cause it, or a splendidly developed agricultural area from which is drawn the resources that contribute or make for its growth that is so readily apparent. On the other hand, if evidence of impoverished streets, badly appearing residences and business places and little or no churches, there is an abject rural industrial and surrounding agricultural prosperity. There is no line of railway, whether main or branch, throughout western Canada, that through the towns or cities that are built along the ribs of steel do not convey the most favorable impression. The cause is not always apparent, but the facts are there and easily seen. In most cases, however, and the extent of these towns are caused by the excellent agricultural districts that are tributary; in some cases, manufacturing enterprises have sprung up, caused by the agricultural factor; in some cases, the Western Press and the Edmonton Bulletin have recently sent corps of correspondents through the provinces to secure data concerning the growth of the two western provinces that have come into existence during the past two or three years. The particulars make interesting reading, and as one reads of the station house, the blacksmith shop, the boarding house, and the store of April, being dwarfed in August by a hundred or more dwellings, by large hotels, by splendid warehouses, not forgetting the two or three churches and the excellent public school buildings, it causes one to stop and think if they ever heard of such marvelous changes. Certainly not. These are facts, though, as related by the Western Canadian Government, there are now cities—cities of from ten to fifteen thousand people—where five or six years ago there was but the bare prairie and the lone section north. The changes in the Canadian West during the past eight or ten years have been marvelous, and it is no idle tale to say that the development in number and growth of the cities and villages there in the past decade has eclipsed anything in the history of the building of a new country. Agriculture has been the basis, and it is agriculture of the west that has made it possible, with an excellent product farm capable of yielding a splendid living and large profit to the operator, is such that it has encouraged thousands to follow that pursuit, and also other thousands on the limited and expensive farms throughout the Central Western States as well as some of the Coast States, to enlarge their field of enterprise. The climate is excellent, and just the climate that is desirable for the healthy growth of man and the products of the field. All varieties of the smaller and better paying grains are raised, and generally with every assurance of good yields. With government supervision of railway rates, splendid markets are certain, and the highest prices realized. The Dominion Government, that has been so busy in preparing of securing settlers for the vacant lands, issues literature descriptive of those available in the provinces, and on request of your nearest Canadian government agent, copies will be forwarded free.

Hand Beats Machine. Cigars are still made by hand, no machine being yet invented that will roll them so nicely and cheaply as do the human fingers. The cheapest cigars—the three-for-five variety—are made of French, Kentucky, Algerian or Hungarian leaves. At the other extreme are the cigars smoked by the czar of Russia, which are of the choicest and best matured Havana, and which cost \$1.50 each.

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A Ready Error. Dr. W. B. Cannon of Harvard, discussing anti-vivisection literature at a dinner in New York, said with a smile: "This literature, in part, at least, is very reliable and well written. The medical department conducted by a young college girl in a weekly paper. A sample reply in this department ran: 'Bereday.—The reply given that I had been ten drops of laudanum, not ten cugs of laudanum. Yes, we advocate cremation rather than the old-fashioned burial.'"

Lofty Ambition. "What is your ambition?" "Merely to make more money than my wife can spend."—Detroit Free Press.

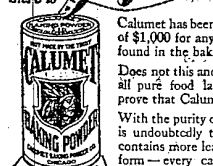
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The Shadow of Science. It is hard to believe that a shadow is probably the origin of all astronomical, geometrical and geographical science. The first man who fixed his staff perpendicularly in the ground and measured its shadow was the earliest computer of time, and the Arab of today who plants his spear in the sand and marks where the shadow falls is his direct descendant. It is from the shadow of a gnomon that the early Egyptians told the length of the year. It is from the shadow of a gnomon that the inhabitants of Upper Egypt still measure the hours of work for a water wheel. In this case the gnomon is a hydra stalk supported on forked uprights and points north and south. But just as the hydra stalk in the ground, so the shadow of the gnomon is cast on earth between sunrise and sunset. In a land of constant sunshine a shadow was the primitive chronometer. It was also the primitive foot rule.

NOT AS BAD AS IT SOUNDED. Wonderful Highland Dialect Responsible for Wrong Impression. Given Divine.

Andrew Carnegie, at a dinner in New York, talked about the Scotch dialect. "It's a hard lingo to understand," he said. "It often causes awkward mistakes." "Once an American divine spent Christmas in a Highland inn. On Christmas morning he gave the maid a tip of a sovereign, and he said, looking earnestly at her—for she was a pretty maid—'Do you know, Kathleen, you are a very good-looking lassie?'" "Of course Kathleen was pleased, but being modest, she blushed like a rose and answered: 'Ah, na! Ah, na! But my kinsair, sir, is beautiful!'" "The divine frowned. 'Leave the room, you wicked young baggage!' he said sternly. 'He didn't know, you see, that modest Kathleen had been simply praising in her Highland dialect, the superior charms of her cousin Janet of Peebles.'"

The Best Cough Syrup Is Easily Made at Home. Costs Little and Acts Quickly. Money Refunded if It Fails.

This recipe makes a pint of cough syrup and saves you about 50 cents compared with the cough syrup medicine. It is an excellent cough-syrup—when whooping cough—in a hurry, and a splendid for whooping cough, hoarseness and other throat troubles.

Mix one pint of granulated sugar with one quart of water and boil for 20 minutes. Put two ounces of Pinex in a quart of water and boil for 20 minutes. Add the Sugar Syrup. Take a teaspoonful every one, two or three hours. Tastes like licorice.

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After one preparation will do the work of Pinex in this respect, although straining honey can be used instead of the sugar syrup. Thousands of themselves in the United States are using now the Pinex and Sugar Syrup recipe. This plan has been tried by many and all agree that the formula has never been equaled. It is the best of all cough remedies. It is immediately useful.

A Lesson for Diplomats. Elihu Root, at the luncheon in Providence preceding the dedication of the John Hay Memorial library at Brown university, said of John Hay: "His diplomacy was gracious, and it was prudent as well. I remember in an argument about a certain international complication that he very warmly and aptly he once insisted on prudence."

"It was the Christmas season, and he said that we might learn a lesson from a little girl who naughtily in the early part of December. 'Dear Mr. mother said, 'if you're going to be naughty I'm very much afraid Santa Claus won't bring you any presents.'"

"Well," she whispered, 'you needn't say it so near the chimney.'"

The Difference. Ted—Did he sober down and marry? Ned—No; he married and sobered down.—Smart Set.

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TH HIGH COST O' LIVING IS A JOKE HA-HA.

SOLDIERS of the regular army read of the high cost of living and smile. It is not their matter of interest to them, for the commissary is bound to issue the regular ration at regular intervals, regardless of what the cost may be.

In the war department the situation causes some concern, for it means going before congress with a plea for more money for the army, incidentally for funds to make up the large and growing deficiency now amounting to \$1,750,000.

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sale of commodities not supplied, sufficient to keep the mess table supplied with luxuries.

A few years ago at western posts the commissary could easily contract for beef at 5 cents a pound, half the price now demanded. The upward tendency of life's necessities is of merely passing interest to the enlisted men, though it is a real tragedy to the young officers. Those of the latter class are not so much interested in the incidental expenses their position requires. For a second lieutenant the salary of \$115 a month, particularly if he be stationed at some eastern post, is far from being a meager sum.

Merely to make more money than my wife can spend. Detroit Free Press.

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Old Houses. Old houses have a far larger commercial value than their owners always remember. Milton's well-known observation is his "Apropos." "Almost no well built man is a good book." applies not a little to a good old building, which is not only a book but a unique manuscript that has no fellow.—Address by Thomas Hardy.

To finish the moment; to find the journey's end in each step of the road; to live the greatest number of good hours is wisdom.—Emerson.

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