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GENERAL OTIS sent a cablegram from Manila to Washington, Monday, in which he says the indications denote that the insurgent government is in a perilous condition; its army defeated, discouraged and scattered, and so on.

FARMING operations have been much retarded by the unfavorable weather in March. In most sections East, West and North the season is now from two to three weeks late. It is believed that fruit trees, excepting peaches, have not been damaged by the severe weather of February and March.

ON April first thirty bills had been presented to Governor Stone for his action. Of these he signed twenty. On April first two years ago Governor Hastings had received only ten bills. That resolution to adjourn April 20, seems to be exerting some influence, notwithstanding the Senatorial deadlock.

ONE of the worst blizzards of the year, and that means considerable, prevailed in sections of Iowa, Kansas and Missouri, on Monday. It may be Pennsylvania's turn next.

A NUMBER of correspondents, armed with prose and poetry, some philosophy, and what not, have within the past fortnight taken up considerable space in the *Norristown Herald* in ventilating their opinions in relation to the old and mooted question whether or not church bells should be rung. Certainly, wherever there is a church bell it should be rung, be made to do service in return for money invested. A church without a bell, in most instances, is a church without a steeple, and a church without a steeple may easily be mistaken for a building devoted to worldly purposes altogether. It does seem a whit strange that in towns and cities, where there are almost continued noises too numerous to enumerate, some people should object to the tones of church bells. Come to think of it, however, this is about the season of the year when spring medicines are being guaranteed to reinervate shattered nerves and torpid livers. The *Herald* should direct the attention of some of its correspondents to its advertising columns.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 31, '99.—The return of the President to Washington, after a short absence, is invariably followed by scores of rumors as to his intentions in regard to important public affairs. The present occasion was no exception, and, as the almost continuous fighting in the Philippines was conspicuously before the public, a number of these rumors related to Philippine affairs. First, it was stated that the President was growing impatient and intended to exercise his authority as commander-in-chief to take charge of Gen. Otis' campaign and see if he couldn't push things to a climax. As ridiculous as this rumor was it was seriously discussed by men who ought to have known better. As a matter of fact, the President is entirely satisfied that Gen. Otis, who is whipping the Filipinos every time he fights them and fighting them as fast as he can get at them, is doing all that any man could do, and even if he wasn't, he would not attempt to interfere by long-distance orders from Washington. Then it was stated that a proclamation calling for 35,000 two year volunteers, authorized by the last Congress, was to be at once issued, and the troops hurried over to reinforce Gen. Otis. There was not the slightest foundation for that, either. There is reason to believe that this rumor was instigated by those who are anxious for the volunteers to be enlisted because of the patronage it would make for them, in connection with the officers' commissions. If Gen. Otis does not wipe out Aguinaldo's army in the next two weeks, he is not likely to do so before fall, as the rainy season will put a stop to effective campaigning.

The beef inquiry is once more doing business at the old Washington stand. Then general tendency of the evidence taken this week has been in favor of the position taken by Gen. Miles in the controversy. Gen. Egan was again on the stand and admitted that he was mistaken in having said that the original agreement required the meat to keep 72 hours after delivery; that it was 24 hours.

One of the features of the big peace jubilee to be held in Washington, May 22-26, will be the historical pageant, giving in sequence the great military and naval epochs of the U. S., preceded by floats giving representations of Columbus before Queen Isabella and Ferdinand, and Columbus landing at San Salvador. Then will come the Continental infantry, artillery and sailors, carrying the famous flags of the revolution; next a float representing Washington crossing the Delaware; and the war of 1812 will follow, with Gen. Jackson and Commodore Perry the most conspicuous figures; the Mexican war will furnish several tableaux in which General Zachary Taylor and his staff will figure, the civil war will furnish a series of beautiful and thrilling pictures, ending with the North and South united; the war with Spain will be covered by representations of the destruction of the Maine, struggling Cuba pleading with Columbia, the fight at San Juan Hill, and other prominent events, the whole to conclude with a grand tableau of peace. It is estimated that this pageant will require the services of 1,000 men and 3,000 horses, and the committee in charge promises to make it eclipse anything of the kind ever before attempted.

The order issued by the Post Office Department this week abolishing the military postal service in Cuba and announcing the substitution of an independent Cuban service is a long step towards the establishment of civil government on the island. It is understood that similar action is to be taken in regard to Porto Rico. Inasmuch as the U. S. guarantees the payment of any Cuban postal deficiency

that may be incurred it reserves the right of supervision of postal expenditures.

The two Cubans who arrived in Washington this week for the purpose of representing the Cuban Assembly are so frank that they are almost disgusting. They are after more money than the \$3,000,000 this government agreed with Gomez to advance to Cuban soldiers as soon as they disembark. They make no bones of bluntly saying that unless each Cuban soldier is given enough money to start life anew the month of them will become brigands. There has never been the slightest chance that these men would receive any official recognition whatever from this government, and even if there had been a chance of official recognition their foot-talk would have destroyed it. General Wood has already taught the Cubans of his district that the practice of brigandage carries more danger than it did under Spanish rule, and that American officers cannot be bought for a share of the plunder.

Uncle Sam's entire indebtedness \$1,157,994,392, upon which the annual interest payment amounts to \$40,695,761, which is about 53 cents for each man, woman and child in the U. S. More than eight hundred millions of this debt is the result of the expenses of the civil war, two hundred and sixty odd millions represents bonds issued by the Cleveland administration, and less than two hundred million went to pay the expenses of the war with Spain. Our national debt is a mere nothing when compared with those under which the large European nations are staggering; we can easily pay off ours in a few years, but nobody expects those of European nations ever to be paid off. The best they can do is to keep on paying a low rate of interest.

OLEOMARGARINE AND BUTTER.

From the Philadelphia Times.

There would be no difficulty in reaching entirely just legislation relating to the sale of oleomargarine if legislators wanted to do what is right, and were willing to stop playing the demagogue on the assumption that farmers are fools and can be controlled in their political actions by demagogic statutes. The law prohibiting the manufacture of oleomargarine in Pennsylvania was simply a tub to the haysed whale and accomplished nothing beyond disgusting the farmers generally.

As there is nothing deleterious in honestly manufactured oleomargarine, there is no reason why its manufacture and sale should be prohibited or in any way restrained by law, but it is just to the farmers and butter producers of the State that oleomargarine should be put on the market as oleomargarine and nothing else, and every man who attempts to sell oleomargarine for butter should be promptly prosecuted and such penalty inflicted as would insure the breaking up of the fraudulent business.

The farmers of Pennsylvania have quite too much intelligence not to know that the people of the State cannot be forced to buy butter if either from necessity or choice they prefer oleomargarine, and all the legislation had on the subject has not made a vote for any party from the agricultural class of our people.

The farmers want proper laws to protect them in their honest production of butter, and they are entitled to them; and it is their undoubted right to have oleomargarine subject to proper inspection, because as a manufactured article dangerous ingredients may be used in its production by characterless producers, and also to have every pound of oleomargarine offered in the market distinctly stamped so that none can be deceived.

By prohibiting the manufacture of oleomargarine in Pennsylvania we have simply closed out our own people and left the State wide open to the same industry in all the other States, as under the inter-State commerce law it cannot be excluded from our markets. The wise thing, therefore, for the Legislature to do would be to repeal the act forbidding the manufacture of oleomargarine in Pennsylvania, provide for its careful inspection before allowed to go upon the market, and require it to be distinctly stamped as oleomargarine when offered to the public.

Under such a law there would be no unjust discrimination against our own people; our honest butter producers would be protected and the fraudulent manufacture and sale of oleomargarine prohibited. Our present laws come nearly to the standard we suggest, but they are haphazard demagogic enactments, and it would be well for the Legislature to make one plain, straightforward, honest and common sense law to protect butter and to prevent the fraudulent sale of oleomargarine.

The Heat of the Sun.

It is estimated that the earth receives not more than one thousand millionth part of the total radiation of the sun's rays. If any considerable proportion of this heat were concentrated upon the earth it would not only become uninhabitable but become speedily consumed. If the great accumulation of ice at the North Pole were placed at a point on which this tremendous heat could be focussed it would melt at the rate of three hundred millions of miles of solid ice per second, and the heat is estimated to generate energy at the rate of about ten thousand horse-power to every square foot of surface.

Landslide at Niagara.

NIAGARA FALLS, Mar. 31.—A mass of rock estimated to weigh over 100,000 tons fell to-day from the cliff to the buildings of the Battery whirlpool rapids elevator, and the tracks of the Gorge Railroad. Another great mass is gradually breaking away and may fall at any moment. Neither the cars of the elevator nor the Gorge Railroad are running at present.

Train Cut Boy in Two.

SOUTH BETHLEHEM, March 30.—Thomas Buckley, the 8-year-old son of Cornelius Buckley, attempted to board a moving coal train on the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad at a street crossing this evening. He fell under the wheels and was cut in two. The accident occurred within a few feet of the spot where the boy's grandfather, Eugene Buckley, was cut to pieces by a passenger train a few weeks ago. The dead boy's father is now in St. Luke's Hospital, suffering from an accident in a stone quarry.

Trusts Running Mad.

TRENTON, March 31.—The month of March has far eclipsed all previous records in New Jersey in the number and magnitude of companies and trusts formed. The receipts for the month in the Secretary of State's office for the mere filing of charters amounted to \$138,000. Nearly fifty companies were formed and the aggregate capital stock of these is \$1,111,750,000. This does not include scores of smaller concerns that would increase the sum by many millions of dollars.

Landed on a High Hat.

Charles Rosofelt, 5 years old, of 624 South Seventh street, Philadelphia, was barely saved from death, Monday, by a fortunate combination of circumstances. While leaning out of the third-story front window of his home, he lost his balance and fell likely to be killed by striking the sidewalk had he not fallen upon the head of a man who had just crossed over to that side of the street. As it was, beyond a shaking up, neither was injured. The only damage was to a high hat which the man wore, and which was crushed.

An Aged Cripple Tortured.

FRANKLIN, Pa., April 3.—Chris Stoner, a wealthy farmer living alone in Washington township, was tortured and robbed by four men last night. Stoner is crippled and partially blind. He had been to a neighbor's house, and when he returned he was attacked by four masked men, who demanded his money. He refused to tell where it was hid, and the scoundrels knocked him down and kicked and beat him almost senseless. Finally he told them where the \$270 was hid, and the robbers, after securing this amount, bound and gagged their victim and fled.

A Conductor's Costly Error.

Attorney W. C. Dicken was recently awarded \$700 damages at Pittsburg by a jury against the Traction Company for having been put off by a conductor who claimed that Mr. Dicken had given him a counterfeit dime. Mr. Dicken made himself known to the conductor, and said he could prove he had given good money, notwithstanding which he was put off into the arms of a policeman, who hustled him off to a police station. At the trial Dicken proved that the conductor had not discovered the dime until after collecting all the other fares on the car.

Consensus Money.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The Secretary of the Treasury to-day received in an envelope, postmarked New York, three \$1,000 bills, which came as an enclosure in the following letter: "The enclosed belongs to the United States Treasury. Consensus demands its return. God knows the name and the sin."

WANTED TO MARRY AT 92.

TENNESSEE'S GIDDY GIRL OF 98 WON'T MARRY UNTIL SHE IS 100. From the St. Louis Republic.

Nashville, Tenn., contains the most remarkable society woman in America. She is Miss Jane H. Thomas, born September 3, 1800. Despite her proximity to the century mark she is still the recipient of offers of marriage.

When a very young woman she was greatly admired for her wit and beauty. Her hand was sought by a number of the most prominent men of the South, but for some unknown reason all were rejected.

When she was nearing middle life one of her first beaux, a rejected suitor, again approached her on the subject of matrimony. She again refused. As he was leaving her in despair, he said:

"Well, Miss Jane, when do you expect to marry?"

She tossed her head haughtily and replied: "Never, sir, until I am 100 years old."

some of her oldest friends about her offer.

They know who the gentleman is, but from the younger generation "Miss Jane" has kept his name a secret. All they know is that she received an offer of marriage, and that she rejected it. When asked her reason for being so helpless to a lover so devoted she replies that he is much too old for her, and says she does not want to marry an old man like that.

"Miss Jane's" great age is no drawback to her social duties. She is still in possession of all her faculties and does not consider herself an old woman. Her friends claim she is as active and her intellect as keen as when she was 50. She carries herself erect, walks with a firm step, and is still a great reader. She keeps well posted on current events, reads the newspapers, periodicals, and the latest novels. She is abreast of the times in politics, fashions, and all new thought, and promises fair never to become a back number.

She went to Nashville in 1804 from Cumberland county, Va., where she was born. The family consisted of five children. They had two six-horse wagons, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas rode horseback, and the mother carried the youngest child in her lap.

She is the great-great-granddaughter of Henry Hugh Thomas, who was once Lord Mayor of London. On December 20, 1820, "Miss Jane" joined the Methodist Church. There were no churches in the country at this time. The preaching was done at the different farm houses. Soon after she became a member she and another lady raised a subscription of \$250, with which they built a church of cedar hewn logs on an acre of ground which was given for that purpose.

Though 98 years old, Miss Thomas is still invited to all the social affairs given in Nashville. "Miss Jane" has lived under the administration of every President of the United States except that of Washington.

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LEAVE PERKIOMEN JUNCTION—Week days—8:47, 10:12 a. m.; 3:00, 6:22, p. m. Sundays—8:15 a. m.; 7:35 p. m.

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MEANING OF INDIAN NAMES.
Picturesque in Themselves and in Their Significance.
The most of our Indian names of rivers, lakes, mountains, etc., have become so altered and disguised by the English spelling of them that it is very difficult to recover their original forms and to be quite sure of the meaning that was attached to them by the Indians. In all of those cases in which their significance can be clearly made out they are found to be simply descriptive words, as, indeed, all names were originally, the object being named from some notable feature of it, and we are perfectly safe as a rule in rejecting as fanciful all of those poetical meanings which have been attached to many of our Indian names. For example, the name Winnipiscogee has been said to mean "Smile of the Great Spirit." Yet this is one of the easiest names to decipher. It is pure Algonquin—Winnip-sau-kee—and means simply "Beautiful Lake Place." Winnipeg has about the same meaning—"At the Beautiful Lake." Winnepogoes is a diminutive of this name and means "Little Winnipeg."

The word niche, "great," enters into several other Indian names. Miss-on-ri is the "Great Muddy," Michi-gan is the "Great Sea," Michi-le-mackinac—now shortened into Mackinac or Mackinaw—is the "Great Turtle," a name given to the island probably because of its resemblance to a turtle.
Connecticut means "Long River," according to Roger Williams, the first part of it being the Indian word guni, "long."
Wisconsin, called by Father Joliet Mieson, is said to mean "Turbulent River." Ohio is an Iroquois name and was translated by the French Belle Riviere, "Beautiful River."
Massachusetts appears originally to have been Mos-wes-tuck. The last part of this name means "hill." The meaning of "mos" is not so certain. Some have rendered the name "Arrowhead Hill," and have supposed it to have been given originally to a certain hill on one side of the islands in Boston harbor. Roger Williams, however, an excellent authority, says that the name means "Blue Hills," and it is worthy of note that there is a range of hills not far from Boston which still bears this name.
Pennsylvania means "Place Full of Bears," from mawka, a bear. This word enters into the name of a town in Pennsylvania, Mauch Chunk, which means "Bear Hill."
Piscataqua is the "Many Deer Place," from pisca, a deer. The Schoodic lakes, in Maine, are the "Droit Lakes."—Detroit Free Press.

The chief glory of an average Chinese inn is the waiter. This indispensable functionary is the guardian of all your interests for the time being, and when you are not looking he dives into secrets and matters of your own that seem to amuse and enlighten him to your inconvenience and annoyance.
Like his confreres in other and more enlightened countries he hardly ever separates himself from the inevitable napkin, but his badge of watership is a very practical article with him.
With it in summer he mops his damp brow or bare shoulders, while in winter, wrapped about his head, it protects him from rain and wind.
The Chinese waiter's napkin is put to all kinds of uses besides those just mentioned. It is used as a dishcloth, a mop with which to wipe the floor, a cloth for cleaning and wiping down tables and a duster.
Business waiters are very reasonable in their charges, which in a measure compensates for the unpleasantness of living in their inns.

Ten as It Should Be.
For making tea, a china or earthen pot, which you are never to wash, but clean by scalding. Pour boiling water in the pot and stand it on the stove long enough to make sure it is heated through and through. Then pour it all off and put in the tea—some teaspoonful to each half pint of water to be used. Now put in the water, which should just have reached the boil, take the teakettle off the stove, remove the lid, stand the teapot in the opening and let it remain five or six minutes, or send the pot immediately to the table and cover with a cozy for ten minutes.
The above method gives an excellent cupful of bright tea, but an added step in the process will give a still finer result. It is to wash the tea by pouring off the first cupful of water instantly after adding it, then proceeding as above. This quick boiling water rinse carries off dust impurities, and the tea when made has as a consequence a finer bouquet.—Ella Morris Kretschmar in Woman's Home Companion.

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MAPLE SUGAR MAKING.

Evaporators and How to Avoid the Niter Trouble.

There are several good evaporators on the market. According to a prominent Vermont sugar maker, who tells in the Ohio Farmer about sugar making in his state, those that admit of shallow boiling are decidedly best. On this and some other points he says:

With but few trees and extreme care perhaps as good sugar can be made with the common pan as with the evaporator, but the pan for boiling is a back number in the best Vermont sugar camps. Experience has convinced me that the finest flavored and lightest colored maple sugar or sirup cannot be made with continued deep boiling. The sap in my evaporator is regulated so that it is a depth of 1 1/2 inches. The sirup is finished in the sirup compartment at the back end of the evaporator, which is 14 feet long. In finishing the sirup this compartment is separated from the rest of the machine by a gate. This enables me to cook off the sirup to the uniform density of about 318 degrees. This will give 11 pounds net of sirup to the gallon and cause the precipitation of malaric acid lime, which is commonly called niter or sugar sand.

This product is a serious trouble to all good sugar makers in this state (nothing troubles the poor sugar maker but the low price), and different methods are in use to get rid of it. Some try to get it out, but this is not so economical way as to use a conical shaped felt strainer. If the precipitation is what it should be, this will take out all of the "lime" and leave the sirup as clear as oil. But, as every sugar maker knows, removing the "lime" from the sirup is the smallest part of the trouble. The worst feature is its adherence to the evaporator, and if permitted to accumulate during an entire day's boiling it will seriously injure both the flavor and the color of the sirup and diminish the boiling capacity of the sirup pan.

The only safe way and the best in the end is to remove the lime from the sirup pan or compartment after each drawing of the sirup. With my evaporator this is easily and quickly done by removing a small cap on the heating trough which extends around the evaporator and letting a little cold sap into the sirup compartment, when the small amount of lime gathered is rubbed off at once with a wooden paddle, the sap is dipped to the front end of the evaporator, the gate raised, and the finishing process goes on as before. As the fire is still on, the boiling goes steadily forward in the main part of the evaporator. Any evaporator can be used in this way by attaching a small hose to one of the storage tanks or by having a pailful of cold sap to throw in as soon as the sirup is all drawn out.

With me there is not so much lime in the first as in the later runs of sap. Malaric acid in sap is of the same nature as the malaric acid in apples, and in the process of boiling a chemical change takes place between this substance and the lime, forming a new product, malaric acid lime, here incorrectly called niter. This change, or precipitation, does not take place until the sirup has reached the density of about 218 degrees F., or 11 pounds to the gallon. At this point the small white crystals begin to appear, and, being slightly heavier than the sirup, they settle on the bottom of the evaporator, and the heat ceases them together, forming a very hard, crusty substance. Continued agitation of the sirup at this time, rubbing the bottom of the pan or evaporator with a wide wooden paddle, will prevent the crystals settling so much and will save some trouble. I like to put the sirup up as soon as possible after it comes from the evaporator. If put up hot in tin cans or bottles and sealed up at once, sugar crystals will rarely form, even at a density of 12 pounds to the gallon.

A Simple Method.
The simplest kind of a hotbed and one generally used, as sketched by the Ohio Farmer, is 6 feet wide by 6 feet long, taking two three foot sashes to cover it. The sash should slope toward the south. While hotbeds are often made of waste lumber, they will be more satisfactory if constructed of lumber that is 1 1/2 inches thick, carefully framed together and painted. In order to give the sash proper pitch to the south one side of the bed should be made six inches wider. When plans of the width of 12 inches are used, this can be readily secured by sawing a strip three inches wide from the edge of one end and nailing it to the edge of the other. In this way we secure a plank three inches wide (marked B) for the south side of the bed, while that of the north side (A) will have a width of 15 inches. The ends should be cut six feet long, and the proper slope can be given them by sawing off a triangular strip from one end and nailing it upon one end of the other pieces, as at C. D is a 1 by 3 inch strip nailed on to the plank, which holds the sash tight together.

About Growing Large Potatoes.
A Washington state correspondent of The American Agriculturist is convinced from his experiments that it will pay to thin potatoes to one stalk in a place and so give all the strength and moisture of the land to those that remain. He says: It might be well to cut out all eyes of the potatoes when planted except such as are desired to grow and so save the trouble of thinning out the field to some extent. There is no profit in growing a large crop of potatoes unless they are of merchantable size. The largest potatoes are always found where the largest and strongest stalks grow.

CAULIFLOWER CULTURE.
How to Make It Pay—First Sowing of Seed in Hotbed in March.
There is a good profit in growing cauliflowers for market if the conditions are all right, but with the culture often given them, they are not a reliable crop. In growing cauliflowers for sale, the first thing to be considered is a market for these luxuries. The crop is not a staple one, like some of which are considered necessities of life, and you must find people who want them and able to buy them. In most large villages there is a sufficient number of people who want them to make a market for a few thousand heads. In some seasons, and at some times in the year, there is a good profit in growing them to ship to dealers in the cities, but the most money is made by retailing them in villages where no one is growing them and there is no competition.

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