# INTERESTING POINTS AROUND OUR CAPITOL

BY THOS. J. HOOVER.

We had been travelling around so much that to returne to Washington almost seemed like coming home. I think we of the South hear so much more about Washington than any of the Northern cities, that we come to think that it is the only place for one to visit. Well, it is a beautiful city, for a fact, and I don't know but what I liked it better after all. You know it is called the "City of Magnificent Distances" and one can easily see how honestly it earned the sobriquet when one stands on broad streets and views, stretching away on either side, other wide streets and avenues, ith row after row of beautiful shade trees, splendid dwellings and costly Government buildings.

The Government Parks, or "reservations," the intersection of two or three streets and an avenue, form one of the pleasing features of the city. The city park proper is Rock Creek Park which has been under improvement for the last eight years or more. It is a beautiful place, abounding in romantic drives and picturesque scenery. The roads were built principally by convict labor from the City Workhouse—a very good idea.

Naturally, the visitor to Washington is interested the most in seeing "where the President lives" and "where Congress meets." These places are the "White House" or "Executive Mansion," and the "U S Capitol." They are widely separated, but I really believe some people come to Washington with the impression that the President lives at the Capitol. I know of one instance where a man from Chicago was hunting a White House Employe in the Treasury Department, and never knew but what he was in the President's home, until set right by one the Treasury Clerks Indeed, it is laughable, what queer impressions visitors do form of the capital city. Many think, because the President lives here, the "natives" must be in actual touch with him and his family all the time; whereas, as a matter of fact, many people live here years without ever seeing any member of the family. Then, too, an idea seems prevalent that Washington is the home of the rich, alone Alas! Poverty stalks there as in all other places, and, in many cases, the back windows of the few rich look down on courts and alleys, filth and squalor, poverty and distress among black and white, that would be the equal of anything to be found in larger cities. Associated Charity is doing the best it can to relieve these distressing conditions, but it takes time, and reforms work slowly.

The home of the President faces a beautiful park and is surrounded by small grounds of its own, but the whole is very unpretentious; when compared with the homes of Europe's rulers, for instance. The house itself has been renovated several times, and since the Roosevelts have been the occupants extensive office buildings have been attached to either side of the building proper, as "wings." The living apartments are private, but visitors are admitted to the historical "East Room," and other parts of the building from nine until three o'clock.

The United States Treasury stands at the left and the State, War and Navy Building to the right, of the White House, as one stands on Pennsylvania Avenue, on which street they all front. The Treasury and State, War and Navy Building are of white (?) marble, and the latter is conceded to be the finest example of its peculiar style of architecture to be found. In the library of the State Department, in a steel case made especially for it, and hidden away from the daylight that it may be longer preserved, is the original "Declaration of Independence," written on parchment. This is all that is really of interest in the entire building, unless it might be the beautiful models, complete to the tiniest detail, of every battleship that is made.

The Treasury is "Uncle Sam's" great bank, and is a most interesting place to visit. The "Cash Room" is the banking office proper, and, in the rear of it, are two great steel vaults, with intricate time lock fastenings, containing millions of dollars in gold. In the basement of the building are the silver vaults, where is stored hundreds of thousands of dollars in silver, put up in stout canvas bags of $1,000,00 each.

This money is counted by weight each time a new Tressurer is appointed, and must be absolutely correct, to the last cent, before the old Treasurer is relieved of his bond.

Near the silver vaults in the basement the Redemption Division and the rooms where the finishing touches are given to our paper money. All the notes are made in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing and finished there, with the exception of the little colored seal we may notice on all the U S notes. This little stamp of approval, as it were, is given to the bills at the Treasury, they being brought over from the Bureau in great bundles or packages in a locked wagon by an armed guard. The machines that print the stamps are each operated by a woman, and each set of bills (there are four fastened together in a sheet—one above the other) are laid neatly, in stacks, by the machine with a precision that is really fascinating. The stacks are collected, taken to tables, counted by expert women counters, cut apart, put in piles of one hundred notes each, a paper binder put on, counted again, wrapped in square packages of four thousand notes each and sealed with red sealing wax containing an impression of the seal of the United States Treasury Department. These packages are put in the vault and are placed in circulation as called for.

In contradistinction to the new notes sent out are the old notes sent in for redemption. These are likewise counted, done up in packages and four holes punched, one in each corner, by a machine made for the purpose. From there they are sent to a great knife which cuts the bundle in half, lengthwise. The halves are then counted and must tally, and, finally, the whole is put into a great machine, called a macerator, mixed with a solution of some kind and cut and ground into a pulp, to be sold to paper manufactuters at $40.00 per ton. It averages a million dollars a day, thus redeemed.

A short walk through a pleasant park brought us from the Treasury to the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, which should really be visited first. Here hundreds of men and women work at making our paper money and postage stamps. The plates are engraved here by experts, and the work is very interesting and very much of a strain on the engraver's eyes, consequently they are a well paid set of men. The process of printing the notes on hand-presses from copper plates is very interesting, and the sheets are counted and recounted during their stay at the Bureau. All of the counting is done by women, and one becomes dazed in watching their fingers turn over sheet after sheet with lightning-like rapidity and never losing count.

The postage stamps are printed and gummed in great sheets and are cut apart and packed in smaller sheets for shipment.

## WINE—A CURSE.

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Several years ago there was published a translation of a very old Chinese religious book, entitled "Oneness in Virtue." No one can tell when it was written, but it was certainly many hundreds of years ago. The writer, whose name was Sun Chien-Cain, speaking of the wine, says;

"Through wine the scholar loses his good name, the magistrate his office, the merchant his trade, and the artisan his work. Person, property, friends, family and life, are all injured. What difference is there and a venomous serpent?

"Wine is a cruel axe that cuts down the character. Is it good or evil to give or press upon a man as a kindness that which may injure him?

"Some may escape the evil, but nine out of every ten are destroyed. Wine may be of excellent flavor, but it is a madman's medicine. Wine is the source of disorder; it bequeaths hosts of hideous things; it spoils longevity and hands down vicious habits."—Ex.

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Vance, as he was called, was a young man of merit. He was honest, truthful and upright in his dealings with his fellow man.

His father, mother, and sisters were much grieved to give him up; but they believe that their loss is his Eternal gain; for they cherish the hope that he was ready to answer the summons of death when it came to claim him for the tomb. Just before he died he smiled and pointed up as if to say, "meet me in heaven." His death was very quiet. He died without a struggle. On Friday the burial services were conducted by the writer at his father's, in the presence of a large crowd of relatives and friends. The body was borne by kind friends to its last resting place in the family cemetery near his old home.

There were many sympathizers, who, as far as possible, were helping to bear the burdens of the family.

Jesus says, "What I do, thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter." "Be ye also ready for in such an hour as ye think not, the Son of Man cometh."

We commend the bereaved to God who can heal the sorrows of the heart. May God bless them, and may death find them ready, when he comes, to go in peace to the God who loves them.

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