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LOOK AT THE ROTTENNESS ! - THE THING LAID BARE.

Is This the Henorable Way of Doing Public Business? This Course Should he Specially Condemned.

WASHINGTON, May 1, 1893. Judge Lochren takes charge of the Pension Bureau this week, with the full knowledge that he has undertaken the task of his life, and by far the hardest job that will fall to any Bureau Chief under the present administration. He fully shares President Cleveland's ideas that the U.S. Pension list should be a roll of hor or, and from the start it will be his earnest endeavor to make it so. No soldier legally entitled to a pension has any thing to fear from Judge Lochren; it is those who are drawing pensions without any legal right to them who are in danger from the new administration. The roll is to be gone over carefully as rapidly as possible without neglecting the current business of the office, and the rascals, when found, are not only to be dropped, but where ever it can be done they are to be compelled to repay the money they have illegally drawn from the government. In this good work Judge Lochren will be glad of the cooperation of every good citizen. It is believed that the Old Soldiers themselves will aid in this work as soon as they become convinced, as they soon must be, that only the frauds are in any danger of losing their pensions. Secretary Herbert has been so busy since he took charge of the Navy De partment, making preparations for the Naval Review, to say nothing of an attack from the grip, that he has had no time to inquire into several notorious abuses known to exist in his department, but he will do so now Prominent in this list is the practice of granting long leaves of absence to naval officers with two-thirds pay, in order that they may enter the employ of private parties or corporations, thus drawing two salaries. The very nature of the employment of these officers, as will be seen by a list of the most prominent of them hereto appended, is in itself scandalous, and would not be tolerated by any other government, and probably will not much longer by the United States: Commander Folger, who was for some years Chief of of the Bureau of Ordnance of the Navy Department, was last January granted leave of absence for two years on the ground of ill health. He immediately entered the employ of the company which controlled the Harvey process for improving steel armor plates, and which has large contracts with the government, contracts, too, which he, as Chief of the Ordnance Bureau, had been instrumental in getting awarded to that company. Lieut. Swift has been on leave since August 1, 1890, and during all this time he has been in the employ of Sellers & Co., of Philadelphia, who have sold the Navy Department bills of tools etc., many of which were designed by him. Lieut. Commander Symonds and Chief Engineer Robinson got one year's leave of absence each, in order to accept positions with private parties at the World's Fair. Lieut. Commander Cornwell has been on leave of absence for two years and under salary to the Thomson-Huston Copper and Nickel Co., to look after its contracts with the Navy Department. Lieut. Stone has a three year's leave dating from March 16, 1891. and draws \$5,000 a year from Carnegie & Co., to look after their steel contracts with the Navy Department. Lieut. Driggs, joint inventor of a rapid firing gun used in the Navy, is on leave and in the employ of the company that manufactures those guns. Lieut. Seabury is on leave, and in the employ of the company that manufactures ordnance for the army. Chief. Engineer Towne, after long service in preparing designs for machinery for naval vessels was granted leave for two years in order that he might draw \$6,000 a year from Cramp & Sons for superintending the construction of the machinery he had designed in the course of his regular duty. Lieut. Wood has been on leave for nearly Fair. four years and is vice-president and manager of the American Projectile Co., which has gove.nment contracts. Naval Constructor Armistead was on inspection duty at the ship yard of Little Boy-"That means walkin." Loring & Co', up to May 4, 1892, since which date he has been on leave and don't know, but I guess may be if he in the employ of that firm. Civil Engineer Menocal is on leave, and is charge for it."-[Good News.

Co. This is only a partial list, but it shows a bad system, These men should resign their commissions if they desire to enter private business, but if they hadn't the commissi ons their se vices would probably not be wanted by their present employers.

Minister Stevens Resigns.

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WASHINGTON, D. C. Minister John L. Stevens, who has represented the United States in Hawaii since Mr. Blaine became Secretary of State, has resigned h's post and will return to the United States in a short time probably about May 15. It is thought likely that President Cleveland will have selected his successor by the time Mr. Stevens is ready to leave for the United States, and there is an impression in the State Department that the new Hawaiian Minister will be chosen as soon as Mr. Cleveland returns from Chicago.

There is much speculation here regarding Minister Stevens's probable successor. / Ever since Commissioner Blount departed for Honolulu a rumor has been current that the President had decided to make him a fullfledged Minister as soon as his work was completed. There are several reasons, however, why this outcome now seems less likely than it did a month ago. Notwithstanding the fact that Commissioner Blount's acts have been approved by the administration, the President is not blind to the fact that

NOT TO THE MANNER BORN.

A Young Lady from the West at the Inauguration Ball

"I beg to be excased. I don't belong in this round-up. I'm off my reservation."

That was the peculiar reply a very stylish and remarkably handsome young woman made when a society reporter struck her for a description of gowns which must have been "fetching" indeed with that girl's splendid brunette beauty inside of them.

"Oh, well, most everybody is strange here now," was the society reporter's cheerful response. "We are very anxious to have all the notable people-" the brisk young woman. "Dad's not an office-holder nor an office-seeker. He's just a plain, every-day cattle haron, and we'er not in it this trip. We'er stampeded."

"Stampeded!" "Si, we don't feed with these kind of

cattle, you know. Our crowd is "R," these people all belong to the "D," dash range, and they've turned off the water, burned all the grass, cut all our fences and Albert, guest of W. W. Clark. stampeded us in great shape. Four years from now, if you happen to be around here, you will find the national | letier. range in the hands of the old bosses again and I'll have no objections to giving you a description of my harness. Just now I'm a stray and object to being bunched with this outfit." The objections must have been intelligible to the society reporter for they were accepted, and the daughter of the "plain-every-day cattle baron" was excused from being "branded" as mixing with a breed of political "cattle" by which she declared she had "stampeded." - [Washington been Star.

WELCOME TO THE PRESS.

New Berne Throws Open Her Doors to the Editors.

. The editors of the State came in Tuesday night in full force to meet in New Berne in their annual convention. Following is a list of those present:

S. A. Ashe, News and Observer, at James A Bryan's:

J. D. Bivins, Stanly News, at C. T Hancock's:

C. M. Bivins, Stanly News, at C. T. Hancock's, guest of Hollister and Paris:

J. T. Britt, Oxford Ledger, at Nelson Whitford's, guest of citizens:

J. D. Boone, Waynesville Courier. "That's it. I'm not a notable," said at Nelson Whitford's, guest of citizens, W. J. Boyl'n, Monroe Enquirer, at Gaston House, guest of H. J. Lo vick.

> W. F. Burbank and wife, Winston Sentinel, at J. W. Stewart's.

> W. L. Cantwell, Wilson Advance, a Gaston House, guest of Lucas & Lewis.

R. R. Clark, Statesville Landmark at Sam'l K. Eaton's.

W. X. Coley, Davie Times, at Hote

W. A. Curtis. Franklin Times, at N S. Richardson's, guest of P. H. Pel-

R. A. Deal, Wilkesboro Chronicle at Gaston House, guest of W. H. Oliver:

W. C. Dowd, Charlotte Observer, at Sam'l K. Eaton's.

GRESHAM'S SELECTION.

HIS AFPOINTMENT A WORK OF IN-SPIRATION.

Nominally a Republican, He flas Always Been a Democrat.

Washington, April 26.-(Special Correspondence.)-Every day it becomes more and more apparent that the selection of Judge Gresham as the "Premier" of the Cabinet was a work of inspiration on the part of the President. Judge Gresham is a product of the West and a typical American. He was a good lawyer, he was a good soldier and an able and an upright Judge. He was advanced by Oliver P. Morton because Morton knew men and admired and respected his loyal nature. He was a favorite of Gen. Grant, that most loyal of all the men since Jackson's day, to his friends. He was one of the few men who had the full and absolute confidence of Conkling. He was the foremost man in Arthur's Cabinet, and even when he was a potent factor in the Republican party he was an advocate for those principles for which the Democratic party of this day, as incorporated in that splend d platform made at Chicago in 1892, stands. While on the bench no clamor could swerve him, and though his disposition was to favor the weak against the strong, the poor against the rich, he only afforded that protection that was authorized in the law, Essentially a Democrat all his life, his intimates were generally Democrats, even when he was in the Cabinet of a Republican President. There is a great deal of magnetism in his personality, and he wins men to him without effort because he deserves to win them. With less intellectuality than Mr. Carlisle, and a less accomplished statesman than that extraordinary man, Gresham is more acquainted with men than with philosophy. He is more of an actor than he is a thinker: but when he does think it is in the channels of Carlisle's thought. Both men are absolutely honest, mentally and morally, and they were bound to get together sooner or later. Thé magnetism of Gresham was never better exemplified than since his becoming a member of the Cabinet. Men who were cursing, not very loud, but very deep, last winter, when it became known that he was to go into the Cabinet, are now delighted with him. This is especially true of Southern Senators and Congressmen. He captured the whole lot of them, bag and baggage. I was amused to find that Jack Gross, of Kentucky, surrendered to him at discretion as soon as he was introduced to him. The two men have much in common. Both were capable soldiers, both are men of the people, both are typical of the American character. Gresham had been opposed and had antagonized politically all that Gross had been working for thirty years; and yet, each had the same end in view, and what had kept them apart was-one was labeled a Republican and the other was the stanchest of Democrats, almost fanatically so. Well, they have got together at last, and Gross is swearing by all the gods that made Hector that Gresham is his favorite, after Carlisle, among all the men in public life .- [SAVOYARD in Louisville Times.

certain things he has done, notably the hauling down of the flag, have been received in this country with disfavor.

The President realizes also that a Commissioner appointed to assist in settling a controversy between two parties in a foreign nation can hardly hope to be persona grata to all factions after the settlement is effected.-[New York World.

Meeting of Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons and Grand Commandery Knights Templar.

On account of the above occasion, to be held at Tarboro, N. C., May 9-12. 1893, the Richmond & Danville R. R. Co. will sell from stations on its lines within State of N. C., round-trip tickets to Salem or Goldsboro, N. C., and return at reduced rates; tickets to be sold May 8th, 9th and 10th; final limit May 15th, 1893. For ferther informa tion, apply to any agent of this system, or to the undersigned.

> W. A. TURK, General Passenger Agent.

GRAND LODGE I. O. O. F., RALEIGH, N C., MAY STH, 1893.

On account of the above occasion, the Richmond & Danville R. R. Co will sell from stations on its lines with in State of N. C., round-trip tickets to Raleigh, and return, at reduced rates. Tickets to be sold May 7ch to 9th inclusive, limited May 15th, 1893. Following are round-trip rates from points named:

Charlotte, N. C., \$7.30; Durham, \$1.50; Goldsboro, \$2.50; Greensboro, \$4.05; Lincolnton, \$8.40; Marion, \$9.20 Rural Hall, \$5.65; Selma, \$1.50; Winston-Salem, \$5.05; and from intermediate points in same proportion.

FORTIETH ANNUAL MEETING NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAL SOCIETY, RAL-EIGH, MAY 9-11, 1893.

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Naronic's Boilers Were Shaky.

PITTSBURG, April 27.-John Lucock employed by the Western Union Telegraph Company, stated today that his brother Robert was a second engineer on the missing White Star steamer Naronic, and that just after the vessel arrived at Liverpool on its last trip he wrote a letter saying that the ship's boilers were in bad shape. He said they had a hard time from New York to Liverpool, and unless repairs were made the return trip was likely to prove disastrous.

Lucock said that while he had not the remotest idea what caused the vessel's loss he was inclined to think that her boilers had exploded. Robert, he said, was a conservative man and would not say anything that would be inaccurate or unreliable.

Mr. Lucock lost another brother, who went down with a ship off the coast of Australia.

The new Cunarder Campania, due in New York as this is cabled, is soon to have a rival in the new White Star vessel, designed to be larger, swifter and in every way more remarkable. Her builders are making a great secret of her construction and all information is witheld. However, it has leaked out that she is to be called the Gigantic. While the Campania, the largest vessel now afloat, is 620 feet long, 65 feet beam and of 20,000 horse-power, the new Gigantic will be longer than the Great Eastern.

Her dimensions are 700 feet length, 68 feet beam and 45,000 horse-power. She will therefore be 8 feet longer than the Great Eastern, but 15 feet less in breadth. The horse-power of the Great Eastern's engines, however, was less than 8,000.

While the Teutonic, Majestic, New York and Paris have accomplished an average rate of 20 knots across the At- Editorial Association at Hotel Albert. lantic, the Campania and the Lucania are expected to do 23; but at one bound the Gigantic is to run at a speed of 27 knots an hour on the ocean, so that the voyage from Queenstown to Sandy Hook will be reduced to about 100 hours, or just over four days. Fast steaming is frightfully expensive. It is always done under forced draught, with the maximum consumption of coal-and even the present coal bill of the Canard Company alone shows an average of nearly 1,000 tons burned by the fleet on every day in the year. The coal consumption of the new Cunarders will amount to 400 tons a day.- [N. Y. World.

Jerome Dowd, Mecklenburg Times. at J. A. Méadows'.

M. E. Thornton Hickory PRESSANI CAROLINIAN, at Gaston House, guest of Roberts & Bro.

F. M. Williams and son, Newton Enterprise, Gaston House, guest of E H. Barnum and John Dunn.

J. R. Wharton, Greensboro Patriot at Gaston House, guest of L. H. Cut ler.

A. M. Woodall, Smithfield Herald guest Dr. J. H. Benton.

J. J. Steward and wife, Salisbury Truth, at Hotel Albert, guest of Sol Cohn and Dr. N. H. Streets

Z. W. Whitehead, North Carolina Gazette, at C. R. Thomas.'

T. W. Clawson, Wilmington Messen ger, at Mrs. G. F. M. Dail's.

H. A. Foote, Warrenton Gazette, at Matt Manly's.

G. K. Grantham, Dunn Times, at W. H. Bray.

J. T. Griffin, Marion Free Lance, at J. M. Hines, guest of citizens.

J. F. Hendren, Elkin Courier, at N S. Richardsons', guest of F. G. Mitchell.

E. E. Hilliard, Scotland Neck Democrat, at Hotel Albert, guest of James Redmond.

C. W. Hunt and wife Burlington News, at Gaston House, guest of T. A Green.

W. S. Herbert, Kinston Free Press at S. L. Dills'.

J. W. Jenkins, Raleigh Christian Advocate, at N. S. Richardson's, gues of C. E. Foy.

J. D. Kernodle, Alamance Gleaner, at N. S. Richardson's, guest of P. H Pelletier.

H. A. London, Pittsboro Record, a G. H. Roberts'.

Thad R. Manning, Henderson Gold Leaf, at J. A. Meadows'.

W. W. McDiarmid, Lumberton Robesonian, at Geo. Henderson's

F. L. Merritt, Raleigh North Caro linian, at Gaston House, guest of W T. Caho.

J. W. Noell, Roxboro Courier, at Gaston House, guest of Dr. F. W. Hughes.

R. H. Pender, Bryson City News, at Gaston House, guest of W. H Cohen.

C. H. Prince, Sec'y South Carolina

A Teamster's Rich Find.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 25,-Mr. Edward A. Tillcott of Silver City, Nev., who is in this city, says that there has been another immense silver mine discovered in that State. The

\$2.50; Lincolnton, \$8.40; Marion, \$9.29 Rural Hall, \$5.65; Selma, \$1.50; Winston-Salem, \$5.05; and from intermediate points in same proportion.

Car Load Curious Fish for the World's Fair.

The fish commission car passed through again Wednesday en route to Morehead in charge of Capt. F. C James and came back yesterday with six tanks more of fish for the World's

LITTLE GIRL-"The doctor said mamma must take a constitutional every day. What does that mean: "Then why didn't he say so?" "I called it plain walkin he couldn't

A wrong committed against the rights of a citizen, is a wrong against the community.

guest of F. T. Patterson.

J. A. Robinson, Durham Sun, at J. A. Meadows'.

Z. V. Rogers, at S. H. Scoti's. J. A. Smith, Bessemer City, at Nelson Whitford's.

G. A. Smith, Burlington Herald, at Gaston House, guest of Walter Fulford. W. M. Sherill, Davidson Dispatch,

at Hancocks', guest of J. M. Howard. J. B. Sherrill, Concord Times, at Hotel Albert, guest of E. E. Harper. J. A. Thomas, Franklin Times, at John Suters'.-- [Newbern Journal.

Johnny—"Don't they use bark to tan hides with, pa?" Father—"Yes, my son; but if you ask any more questions this evening you'll find that a slipper does just as well."—[Ray-mond's Monthly.

discovery was made by a teamster.

"The teamster was driving along a ail near Silver Guleh Canyon," says Mr. Tillcott, "when one of the wheels of his wagon ran over what appeared to be a sione, but which emitted a peculiar metallic ring. Kicking the dust off the 'stone,' he found it to be a huge nugget of almost pure silver. The teamster took his find to Silver City, displayed it there, then located his claim and bought all the land around it. I have just received a letter stating that he has received an offer of \$250,000 in cash for his property. Some of the richest gold and silver mines in the world have found almost in the same mann usually by accident and by person who did not know their value .- [St. Louis Republic.