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Probably more men would drink soda water if it weren't for the name of the stuff.

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## WASHINGTON LETTER

From our Regular Correspondent.

The government has already run up against a snag in the investigation of the cotton leak from the Department of Agriculture. Two of the witnesses summoned from New York to answer questions in the investigation before the grand jury looking to the indictment of Holmes and perhaps other persons in connection with the leak have refused to answer and the court has given them one more day to consider their decision before sentencing them to jail for contempt. The ground taken by these witnesses, Haas and Peckham, both of whom are advised by counsel, is that the court has no jurisdiction to compel them to answer and that their answers might tend to incriminate them. Mr. Haas read a long statement to the court prepared of course by his counsel, and asked the jury to make it a matter of record. How far the witnesses will go in their refusal to answer the questions of the District Attorney is of course a question, but the ground on which they have based their refusal makes it possible that the court will not compel them to answer. At the same time their refusal on the ground that their answer might incriminate them, while it may be purely technical, renders their refusal the more interesting and probably convinces the jury that they know something worth revealing or perhaps better worth keeping secret. In either case it makes the proceedings of the grand jury more mysterious and interesting than ever, and serves to convince the general public that the district attorney is going to have a whole lot of trouble in getting to the bottom of the case. He has promised that there is already sufficient ground for criminal proceedings that is only natural to a man in his position and people will be more ready to believe that he is right after he has secured a conviction than before.

It seems however, that the trouble in the Department of Agriculture did not stop with the cotton leak. There have been other troubles under the surface in the Department and one of them was brought to light by the resignation of Dr. Geo. T. Moore, of the Bureau of Soils. Secretary Wilson has complained year after year that he could not get men of the scientific calibre required by the Department for the wages that the government was willing to pay. The government has been pretty liberal and the appropriations for the Department have about doubled since 1889 but it appears that the private employers are still able to outbid the government. Dr. Moore while in the employ of the department devised a nitrogen compound that was supposed to be highly beneficial as a soil enricher and the device was patented under his name by

the Agricultural Department and a number of pamphlets written on the subject. It was about as good an advertisement as a patent compound could have though the fact that it was patented by the department precluded the possibility of there being any commercial monopoly in its use. However, there was a company formed in West Chester, Pa., which was willing to take the risk and offered Dr. Moore a substantial salary and a good block of the company's stock to come with them. The Doctor thought over the proposition and dickered with the department for a raise of salary. The negotiations dragged on and the raise was deferred for a long time. Meanwhile a block of stock was made in the name of the Doctor's wife and stood that way till a bearing was had the other day from a couple of men on an agricultural paper when all the facts were brought out. Dr. Moore wrote a letter to the Secretary tendering his resignation and stating that he did not want to embarrass the department by continuing in his present position if it should be any embarrassment. Secretary Wilson did not say whether it was an embarrassment or not but he accepted the resignation.

In addition to the fresh row in the Agricultural Department, the Government is confronted with more trouble in the Government Printing Office. That big institution has just been treated to a very sunny investigation by a special government commission in connection with one of the most extraagantly secret in all the numerous government investigations in Washington, and its report is now in the hands of the executive but has not yet been given to the public. Now it seems however, that the government is tired of paying printing bills of the size recently presented to it, and as the appropriations demanded by the printing office have jumped from \$3,500,000 in the present year, a committee of which Senator T. C. Platt was the chairman, has been appointed to ransack the affairs of the office and get a little reduction if possible in the size of the bills. This committee has not yet had a chance to meet. Rather it has had plenty of chance but the weather has been too warm and the members have not gotten together. When they do, however, they will find a nice state of affairs. The government has been saddled with the printing of the reports of Dr. Seldon Jackson relative to the breeding of reindeer Alaska. These reports are lengthy and profusely illustrated and the public which is deeply interested in the raising reindeer in Alaska is somewhat limited. But the reports have been printed under the authority of the Department of the Interior and they have helped largely to swell the printing bill. The Daughters of the Ameri-

can revolution have also gotten the government to publish the reports of all their factional fights and feminine hairpulling which are even too long for the Washington papers to handle in detail and the printery has been made to reproduce all their portraits and the portraits of almost any one else that wanted to get into print.

It is quite likely that this sort of thing will be stopped and stopped suddenly, but it has cost the government seven millions in the last year, and it may be said incidentally that the same sort of extravagance has run riot a good many of the other government departments. If the same matter is handled sensibly and in a business like way by the coming Congress it is quite possible that the appropriation bills might be brought down that the Republicans would make good their boast that the deficit could be met without resort to additional tariff. But it is very doubtful with all the private and influential interests at court if anything will be forthcoming from the numerous investigations except a generous coat of white wash.

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There is no case of Indigestion, Dyspepsia or Stomach Trouble that will not yield to the digestive and strengthening influence of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. This remedy takes the strain off the stomach by digesting what you eat and allowing it to rest until it grows strong again. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure affords quick and permanent relief from indigestion and all stomach troubles, builds up the system and so purifies that disease can not attack and gain a foothold as when in a weakened condition. The constantly increasing sales of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure by physicians of hospitals and general practice of itself tells how this most wonderful modern discovery has proven to be the greatest digestant for the alleviation of a suffering humanity. Its many cures of both children and adults grows larger day by day. Sold by M. B. Blackburn.

A girl will never believe people can think she understands baseball unless when she goes to a game she says lots of things that proves she doesn't.

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A man might give his wife more spending money if she wouldn't spend so much for him that he doesn't want.

## FORCED TO STARVE.

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Digests what you eat.

## Little something doing.

Wilkesboro Chronicle.

The Washington Correspondent of the Raleigh Post and the Winston correspondent for several papers talk like there is something doing in this section concerning the revenue scandals, etc. These authorities say that there are two detectives from the Department of Justice in this section and that there will be sensations when the matters are disclosed in the Federal court, and that several officials, prominent and otherwise, are involved. The report is confirmed, so the Winston papers say, by District attorney Holton to the effect that the detectives are at work.

There is another rather singular fact connected with it, and that is that the investigation is being conducted by the Department of Justice under direction of the Attorney General. It is customary for every department to make its own investigations, and under this rule the investigation would have been made by the Revenue Department, or rather Treasury Department. But the reports involved so many revenue officers that the matter of investigation, it appears, was given into the hands of another department.

Anyway, there seems to be a little something doing that may not be so pleasant to those involved as it was in the balm days of a few months ago when some of them spoke of demanding an investigation.

## THE DIAMOND CURE.

The latest news from Paris, is that they have discovered a diamond cure for consumption. If you fear consumption or pneumonia, it will, however, be best for you to take that great remedy mentioned by W. T. McGee, of Vanleer, Tenn. "I had a cough for fourteen years. Nothing helped me, until I took Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, Coughs and Colds, which gave instant relief, and effected a permanent cure." Unequaled quick cure, for Throat and Lung Troubles. At M. B. Blackburn's; price 50c and 1.00, guaranteed. Trial bottle free.

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Fill a bottle or common glass with your water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or string indicates unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it stains your linen it is evidence of kidney trouble; top frequent desire to pass it or pain in the back is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

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There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, fulfills every wish in curing rheumatism, pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passage. It corrects inability to hold water and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often during the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sizes.

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A minister having received a call to a larger field, his small son was asked by an acquaintance on the street if he was going to accept it. The son replied that his father was maying over it in his study but he noticed that his mother was up stairs packing the things. After somewhat the same sort the Japs and Russians are both confident that the conference of the plenipotentiaries will result in peace but it is observed that the Japs are preparing for an aggressive move on Vladivostok and that the Russians are emptying fresh troops into Manchuria.—Ex.

A woman considers she is leading an ideal life when she sits down to write nine letters or to wash her hair.

## NOTICE.

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage deed executed to the undersigned by James Tester and wife, Rachel Tester, on the first day of January, 1904, to secure the payment of the sum of four hundred dollars, (\$400.00), \$150.20, having been paid, leaving a balance due to this date of \$249.80. Now, therefore, by virtue of said power contained in said mortgage, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at the court house door in Boone the following described lands on the 4th day of September, 1905, at the hour of 12, M. Said land known as the John A. Woodring lands, lying and being in the county of Watauga on the waters of Baird's Creek. Beginning on a spanish oak, E. 20 poles to a chestnut oak, S. 40 P. to a hickory, E. 20 poles to a chestnut, S. 80 poles to a birch, W. 80 poles to a chestnut oak, N. 60 poles to a chestnut at the head of a stream, W. 70 poles to a spanish oak, N. 160 poles, crossing two branches, to a dogwood, E. 70 poles to a maple, then to the beginning, containing 100 acres more or less.

Second tract: Beginning on a chestnut N. 10° E. 60 poles to a chestnut, N. 55° E. 20 poles to a hickory, S. 55° E. 40 poles to a chestnut in the fork of a branch, S. 14° E. 24 poles to a black oak, S. 24 poles to a water oak, W. 60 poles to a hickory, N. 40 poles to a chestnut oak, thence to the beginning, containing 100 acres more or less. The lands above described lands will be sold for cash in hand on day of sale to satisfy said debt, interest and costs, and deed in fee executed to the purchaser. Reference is hereby made to said mortgage, which is registered in book "D," page 585, in the office of the Registered Deeds of Watauga county. This July 5th, 1905. A. M. WOODRING, DORA WOODRING, Mortgagees.