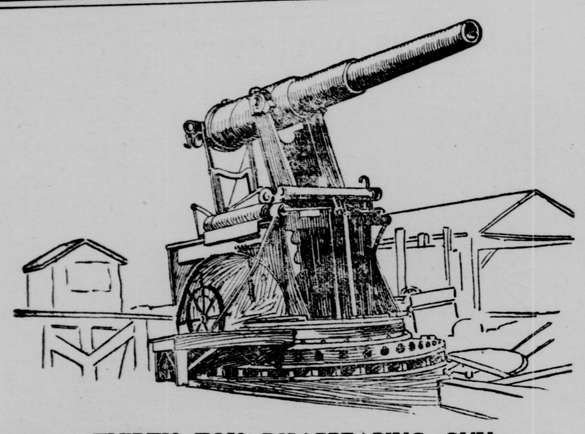


THIRTY TON DISAPPEARING GUN.

Now being set up at Fort Carroll at the entrance of Baltimore harbor.

THE NATION'S CAPITAL.

Happenings of the Week in Washington Circles.

The Washington correspondents who were a few days ago concocting detailed stories alleging the existence of enmity between President McKinley and Speaker Reed, are now busy trying to invent plausable explanations of why those two "bitter enemies" are to be guests this week under the same roof, at Jekyl Island. This sort of thing would be amusing if it were not disgusting to those who believe in truthfulness and fair dealing towards public men, as well as towards private citizens. That there has been, at times, differences of opinion on important public questions between President McKinley and Speaker Reed, just as there has always been at times between other prominent members of the same party is known to all men, because neither of them ever hesitates about stating their opinions; but that there has been, at any time, any personal enmity between them or any desire on the part of either to split the republican party into factions for the individual benefit or revenge of either, is untrue, and nobody knew its falsity any better than those who concocted the stories. Next year will be Presidential year, and this class of yarns may be expected to increase, because the democrats know that nothing but a division of the republican party can give them any possible show to win.

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The latest news from Gen. Otis is decidedly satisfactory. His active campaign against Aguinaldo and his repeated victories have resulted in breaking the backbone of the Philippine revolt, and everything now points to a speedy ending of the fighting, and the capture of Aguinaldo is hoped for. Admiral Dewey has notified the Navy Department of the arrival in Manila Bay of the battleship Oregon, in splendid fighting condition.

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Senator Frye, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Commerce, who knows the subject about as well as any man in the country, does not smile upon the efforts of the French Panama Canal Company to interest Senators and Representatives in the Panama Canal, the latest of which is a Congressional free excursion, at the Company's expense, of four or five weeks duration, for the purpose of inspection, etc. Mr. Frye said: "I shall not go on the trip of inspection planned by the Panama Canal Company. I was urged to go, as were other members of the Senate and House. The men who are to go down there on a pleasure jaunt know about as much now concerning the merits of one route over the other as they will when they reach home. I have been building the Nicaragua Canal for twenty-five years. Away back when 'Dick' Thompson was Secretary of the Navy, we had a Committee to investigate the feasibility of routes. We sat for about six months and examined a multitude of witnesses. These witnesses established the utter impossibility of a sea level canal over the Panama route, as De Lesseps had proposed. Then the Chagres river was considered. The investigation in that line estahlished that man could not control the waters, although God might. The Committee made no report, and about the only direct outcome of the investigation was the establishment of a United States coaling station by the Navy Department, compliance with our personal requests. When I was in Paris (Senator Frye was one of our Peace Commissioners) they were after me perpetually regarding the Panama Canal; I met friends of the project on every hand." It is very evident that Senator Frye thinks we should steer clear of the Panama Canal scheme.

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Maj. Demeritt, a member of the staff of Gen. Otis, is in Washington on sick leave. As he came direct from Manila, his opinion is entitled to weight. He said: "Nobody who has seen the Philippines could ever be in favor of surrendering them. I am satisfied that it is to the best interests of this country to keep them, for their resources are varied and valuable, and they will eventually be a source of large profit. It is not going to take a very great while to completely reduce the insurgent Filipinos to subjection. The more enlightened and well-to-do class of mixed Spanish blood are quite willing that this government should establish its sovereignty."

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How idiotically rampant sensationalism can become upon nothing was shown when the routine order of the Navy Department, detailing a Board of officers, in accordance with law, to examine all of the Commodores, which grade has been abolished, promoted to be Rear Admirals, under the law for re organizing the Navy, was seized upon and made the basis of as wild a batch of stories as have been sent from Washington in a long time, all to the effect that the Navy Department was arranging to down Schley by having the Board report him unfit for promotion, and in favor of his immediate compulsory retirement, while Sampson's promotion was to be reported all right. And sensible persons were found, even in Washington, who believed the substance of these stories until an official statement from the Navy Department made their ridiculous falseness apparent to everybody.

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Secretary Alger expects to go to Cuba this week, to inspect the military posts on the island, but there will be nothing suggesting a junket about the trip, only his private secretary and his military aide will accompany him.

Written expressly for the Gazette.

A FINE DAY.

The day was so fine, it impelled me to say it,
Thus adding new zest to the joy it confer'd
The new-born delight! 'twas a pleasure to weight it
On the scale of my voice with the weight of a word.
Then on that of the friends whom I met on my way,
With no scales on their eyes to discolor the day——
Fine day! - - Fine day!
It is true in the foulest of weather I've said it——
Who hasn't? ha! ha! and felt foolish enough.

So different the day! in my long face you read it,
Yet your answer was fine when it should have been rough.
"Fine day!" and I laughed as I went on my way,
And you smiled as you thought, what a funny fine day!
So vivacious I've been when the weather was vicious,
My horizon so clear, though beclouded the the sky,
That I shouted "Fine day!" and the fun was delicious
When your ear-drum had hoodwinked the lens of the eye;
While you followed the hat the winds carried away,
From the standpoint I took 'twas a very fine day!

Too oft merely formal the day's salutations,
Lacking feeling and warmth, though the weather is fair;
Weather-beaten must needs be our wise observations,
Yet our hearty "Good morning!" may ward off despair.
Pleasant looks lend a charm to the last words we say;
It takes more than the weather to make a fine day.
So fine was that day when your fair one responded,
Which the fairer you knew not, the day or the maid!
With the drift of your speech the mild March winds absconded,
But the flowers that she tossed you never shall fade.

Your "Fine Day!" the March winds caught up in their play:
'Twas the smile on her lips that perfected the day!
Fine day ever so fair in fond memory's keeping,
The day old delight that you weighed with a word
And now it is March with her merry eyes heaping
Bright smiles on your head for the praise you conferred.
Then still keeps repeating "Fine Day!" and "Fine Day!"
The young, joyous April is the next one to weigh!
Good day, - - - Good Day!

H. T. BRAGDON.

I have been afflicted with rheumatism for fourteen years and nothing seemed to give any relief. I was able to be around all the time, but constantly suffering. I had tried everything I could hear of and at last was told to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which I did, and was immediately relieved and in a short time cured. I am happy to say that it has not since returned. Josh. Edgar, Germantown Cal. For sale at Harry Roberts' drug store.

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Under Local Law for Talbot County, Chapter 75, Acts 1894, I am required to publish the following list of delinquent tax-payers for 1897. Notice is hereby given that all of the same remaining unpaid on the 25th day of June, 1899, will be scheduled preparatory for sale to satisfy the amounts due and costs thereon, as directed by said law.

W. S. COVINGTON,
Collector for Fifth Election District of Talbot County.

Wm. Allen	$ 1 49
Mary F. Allen	5 44
Chas. F. Adams	2 09
John Bally	2 30
Alfred Brown	2 09
Margaretta E. Brumwell	23 19
Wm. H. Bradshaw	7 91
Margaretta E. Brumwell (guardian)	1 10
Jas. M. Cowgill	1 10
Nancy J. Cummings	5 82
Sarah E. Cummings	4 12
Oliver G. Cummings	4 39
Thomas P. Cummings	3 30
Susie A. Cummings	9 17
Oakley A. Cummins	8 07
Robert H. Caldwell, Jr.	2 20
Perry Edward Caldwell	2 47
Ernest E. Cummings	1 10
John Caldwell	3 36
Robert and Lizzie Caldwell	5 38
Harriet Cooper	1 33
James H. Calls	6 86
John W. Cooper	1 27
Mrs. Theophilus Cook	70 79
Louis Dove	3 57
Millard G. Davis	1 98
Annie B. Dobson	10 16
John W. Dulin	6 17
Jas. L. Duncan	136 96
John Duncan	6 86
Robert L. Ford	9 06
Jos. E. Fairbank	14 94
Jas. Frampton	1 41
Geo. W. Gibson	4 98
Mrs. M. E. Godwin	18 94
Lucretia R. Grace	1 16
Chas. W. Gibson	2 75
Chas. H. Gibson	1 10
Solomon Gow	7 75
Maria Hinson	3 01
Joseph Horney	7 40
Susie Horney	1 71
Jas. D Horney	6 16
Philemon T. Hambleton	6 20
Mrs. Ida Hubbard	3 08
Mary E. Haddaway	3 08
Chas. E. Howeth	5 06
Daniel H. Hinson	3 85
Annie A. Haddaway	6 58
Thomas W. Haddaway	4 24
Annie R. Harrison	4 01
Wm. S. Horney	31 88
Wm. J. Jackson	20 75
Chas Johnson	2 46
John W. James	10 16
Thomasina Jones	1 49
Wm. H. James	2 20
Melvinia James	2 47
Chas. A. Kemp	6 04
John W. Kemp (heirs)	60 04
Hester E. Kersey	9 59
Joseph O. Kemp	103 15
Susan W. Landon	2 75
Jas. E. Lednum	1 10
Jas. I. C. Lomax	3 46
Jacob Lambdin	1 38
Lewis P. Lee	9 88
Thom. and Matt. Laurence	2 64
Edwin Lowe	10 56
Rebecca A. Lee	12 35
John T. Lowe	1 33
Geo. W. Marshall	1 49
Harriet J. Marshall	1 89
John B. Marshall	8 67
Francis A. Miller	4 83
Reuben J. Marshall	3 02
Wm. E. McQuay	17 84
Annie E. Newnam	5 66
E. S. Neavitt	19 59
Josephine Porter	4 95
Jacob W. Porter	35 52
Lewis Palmer	2 75
Perry N. Porter	21 08
Chas. R. Ross	1 60
Benjamin F. Sherwood	111 98
G. W. Shores	5 49
Mrs. Henrietta Senger	32 71
John A. Sinclair	2 20
Sarah A. Sinclair	4 94
Mrs. Mollie Sinclair	3 46
Thos. E. Taylor	36 03
Thos. J. Trott	4 85
Edward R. Tyler	6 54
Helen D. Tunis	162 08
George T. Usilton	3 41
Hugh B. Valliant	2 42
Mrs. Zenia F. Valliant	4 67
Mary Elizabeth Wilson	2 03
Alexander Webb	1 10
Peter W. Webb	2 75
W. O. Wrightson	21 37
Albert B. Willis	45 28
John H. Webb	3 74
Henry Witington	3 90
Lloyd Warner	1 65
Isaac S. Parsons	4 62
Alexis G. Pascault	39 51

VACCINATION ORDINANCE

IN EFFECT ON AND AFTER APRIL 1, 1899.

By virtue of authority conveyed in Section 8 of Article 43, Code of Public General Laws 1888, title "Health," it is ordered by the State Board of Health that on and after April 1, 1899, no small-fruit grower, canner, truck farmer or fish packer shall take into his employ any person or persons who do not show written proof of vaccination of more recent date than July, 1898. Any person or persons violating this law shall be fined not less than 50 nor exceeding 500 dollars.

JOHN S. FULTON, Secretary.

Passed March 9th, 1899.

Section 8 of Article 43, Code of Public General Laws, is as follows:

Whenever the State Board of Health shall have cause to believe that there is any danger of cholera, smallpox or other dangerous or infectious disease invading this State or country, it shall be the duty of the said Board to take such action and adopt and enforce such rules as it may deem necessary to prevent the introduction or spread of such infectious or dangerous disease within this State, and any person or persons or corporations refusing or neglecting to obey such rules and regulations shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall, upon conviction thereof in a Court of competent jurisdiction, be fined not less than fifty dollars nor exceeding five hundred dollars for every such offense.

Easton National Bank of Maryland.

MARCH 25, 1899.

This bank will be closed on Friday, the 31st inst., being a legal holiday. Bills maturing on that day must be paid on or before Saturday, April 1, 1899.

R. THOMAS, Cashier.

Farmers and Merchants National Bank.

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WM. G. DENNY, Cashier.

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