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Our Washington Letter.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 13th, '86.

There are many cranky characters in
Washington who are not sent here by a
vote of the people, and do not draw their
Congressional salary. They are never-
theless cranks, and represent a large con-
stituency. One old fellow has been here
for several years, was once a wealthy
man in Colorado, and lost his balance
by some unlucky speculation, and claims
that the Government owes him sixteen
billions of dollars and he wants the
money bad. Another from Maine has a
project to bridge the Atlantic, and
wants a charter that he may organize
his company. Says he has the money
all pledged and ready as soon as he can
get the charter. Another has a wonderful
invention, and wants a patent—an in-
genious device, by which chickens are
hatched from artificial eggs. Another
singular character attends the daily ses-
sions of Congress regularly, month after
month and year after year. He never
speaks or recognizes anyone. He is
about seventy years old fully, six feet
tall, and has whiskers, which look as
though they had been blackened with
stove polish. He always wears a long
cape overcoat, low silk hat, and carries
an umbrella of the vintage of 1814. He
is one of the most punctual members of
the House gallery, and always gets the
same seat—rises when the chaplain
prays, and nods his head in a very vi-
gorous fashion to all the preacher says.
It is said that many years ago the old
man made a large fortune in the slave
market, which was swept to the winds
during the war and left him a finan-
cial and mental wreck, and he now lives
here on the charity of a relative and
daily expects Congress to pass a bill to
restore his fortune. His principal pen
was at Holly Springs, Miss., and a gen-
tleman who has known him for forty
years tells me he has stolen hundreds of
negroes and sold them into slavery.

Another singular character is an old
gentleman about seventy who daily vi-
sits the Congressional Library, and has
for the passed five years, not missing a
single week day. Who he is or where
from, no one knows. He never speaks
to any one or recognizes any salutation,
and is simply known among the employ-
ees of the Library as the "Old Philoso-
pher." He always points in the catalo-
gue to the book he wants, which is in-
variably some religious or scientific work,
seats himself at the table and reads till
the hour of closing. Next day the same,
and so it has been for years. For a
long time it was supposed he might be
deaf and dumb, but one day that hypo-
thesis quickly vanished, as the old gen-
tleman, who had been very intent in his
reading, suddenly arose, closed his book,
and to the great astonishment of all
present, ejaculated "It's all a—lie!"
and hastily retreated from the Library.
But the next morning found him on
hand, cool and serene, and eager as ever
for his reading. Rain or shine, heat or
cold, every day finds the old man at the
Library, perfectly oblivious to every-
thing else but his book.

If Senators Beck and Blackburn, of
Kentucky, and Edmunds, of Vermont,
would sign the temperance pledge, and
keep it, they would set a good example,
to say the least. Edmunds is only 58,
yet he looks older than his colleague,
Morrill, who is 76. Senator Sawyer, of
Wisconsin, is something after the simi-
litude of Jack of Spades, about as big
one way as the other. There is a sort
of wobble in his locomotion that re-
minds you of a rolling hoghead. He
has a good supply of brains, however
as well as bowels. Senator VanWyck, of
Nebraska, looks as though he was born
hungry, and had traveled foot-sore and
alone from that day to this in search of
something to eat and hadn't found any-
thing that exactly suited his taste.
There is a sort of wild, cadaverous stare
about him which, with his quick, ner-

vous motion, and shrill voice, is always
sure to attract attention. That little
frame carries a heap of solid brains,
though, and VanWyck is a match for
most of them. Maxey, of Texas, looks
exactly as you did when caught in some
miserable scrape, and afraid the boys
were going "to tell on ye." Payne, of
Ohio, looks every inch like a ministerial
gentleman; Butler, of South Carolina,
like a born cavalier, and old Brown, of
Georgia, like a sanstimonious old fraud.
Billy Mahone, of Virginia, who two
or three years ago held the balance of
power in Senate, and arrogated to him-
self a mighty sight of importance, cuts
a pretty small figure now-a-days. No
one seems to care much for Billy. His
term expires next March, when he will
drop into oblivion, as quietly as a thistle
down.

"Judge Waxem, of Waback, on the wa-
ters of Hell-for-Sarten," is a pretty promi-
nent member, and speaks out plain.
Here is one paragraph from a recent
speech, if reports are true:

"Mr. Cheerman, a Mugwump to me is
the oneriest critter on God's green
earth. (Cheers.) He's nothin', with
the petti punched out. He's a bursted
gun, without lock, stock, or bar'l. He's
a steer—too lean for beef, too weak to
work, an' too pore for the hogs to foller
him. He's somethin' God-didn't make
on an off day out uv a job lot of clay,
and He didn't have lime, sand or hair to
mix him with. (Cheers.) He's got a
dish-rag for a back-bone, a Sunday-
school book for a liver, an' the sand in
his craw wouldn't start the shell on a
gnat's aig. I'm fer the people, an' so
squiragin dishin' out the offices in
favor uv a lot of high moral an' scienti-
fic school teachers, who spell fertilizer
with more or less letters than some
others does, as known politics as ain't
lean't in spellin' books. It ain't in the
spellin' uv it, Mr. Cheerman; it's the
spreadin' uv it on that fetches the craps,
an' craps is what we air after."

War is rather an expensive thing, to
say nothing of the destruction of life.
The books at the Treasury Department
show that the war of 1812 cost \$115,000,
000, the Mexican war \$135,000,000, and
the war of the rebellion \$6,190,000,000.
The policy of granting land to aid in
the construction of railroads commenced
during Fillmore's administration, when
\$4,985,593.13 acres were granted;
under Pierce, 19,687,197.79; Lincoln, 34,
001,297.77; Grant, 19,231,121.69—making
a grand total of 155,504,394.59 acres. In
addition to this the Government has
given to the States and Territories 80,
000,000 acres for educational purposes.
Gibson, of West Virginia, is the great
whisky soaker of the House, and Price
of Wisconsin, the leading prohibitionist.
Both are small in stature, but exceed-
ingly large in self-esteem.

Peterson's Magazine for August
opens with a beautiful steel-engraving,
"Morning Among the Mountains," fol-
lowed by a double-size colored fashion-
plate, and this by a colored pattern for
embroidery. In addition, there are
about fifty wood-cuts of fashions, work-
table patterns, etc. The contributors to
the number are Mrs. Ann S. Stephens,
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act to prevent the spread of Noxious
weeds in the Territory of Dakota," was
passed by the Territorial Legislature
and approved by the Governor March
12th 1885, making it incumbent upon
every road overseer to see that the weeds
named in said act are destroyed, in case
of a failure of occupant of the lands
upon which they grow.
Dated June 25th 1886,
Iver Jacobson,
Dist. Atty. Griggs Co.

Notice.

To whom it may concern:
The bank of Cooperstown, Coopers-
town, D. T., Stevens & Pickett, prop-
rietors, having made an assignment to me,
all parties holding valid claims against
above bank, are requested to file such
claims in writing with the undersigned,
within six months from date. Claims
not filed within given limit, will not be
considered.

THEO. DRAZ, Assignee.
St. Paul, May 10, 1886.

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rity. Enquire at Lawrence Bros' Bank.

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NOTICE—U. S. Land Office, Fargo, D.T., June 25, 1886.

Complaint having been entered at this office
by Victor K. Anderson against Luther T. Sowle
for failure to comply with law as to timber cul-
ture entry No. 6287, dated May 24, 1882, upon the
nw 1/4 section 8, tp. 14, r. 61, in Griggs county,
Dakota Territory, with a view to the cancellation
of said entry; contestant alleging that the said
Luther T. Sowle has failed to comply with the
timber culture law by not fencing, or cause to be
fenced, five acres of said tract during the first
year of said entry ending May 24, 1883, and has
also failed to break or cause to be broken five
acres thereon, or cultivate to crop or otherwise
five acres during the second year of entry end-
ing May 24, 1884, and also failed to plant or
cause to be planted five acres of said tract to trees,
tree seeds, nuts or cuttings during the third year
of entry, and also failed to plant or cause to be
planted five acres or any part thereof to trees,
tree seeds, nuts or cuttings, during the fourth
year after entry; that said failure so exists at
the present time; the said parties are hereby sum-
moned to appear at this office on the 12th day of
August, 1886, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and
furnish testimony concerning said alleged fail-
ure.
D. C. GEAREY, Receiver.
25-29.

NOTICE OF FINAL PROOF—Land Office at Fargo D. T. June 11, 1886.

Notice is hereby given that
the following named settler has filed notice of his
intention to make final proof in support of his
claim, and that said proof will be made before
the judge of the probate court, at Sherbrooke, D. T.,
on July 30th, 1886, viz: John P. Pense, H. E.
No. 11524, for the nw 1/4 of sec. 18, wp. 14, r. 55.
He names the following witnesses to prove his
continuous residence upon and cultivation of
said land, viz: H. B. Randall, James Sweet
and James H. MacLean, all of Sherbrooke, all
of Pickett P. O., Stearns county, D. T.
H. B. RANDALL, Register.

C. M. MacLAREN,

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