

ROUTINE WORK IN CONGRESS

Outline of Business Transacted by the Members of Both Houses.

WITH NATIONAL LAWMAKERS

Brief Summary of the Doings of the People's Servants in Session at Washington Cleverly Condensed by Special Correspondents.

Tuesday, Jan. 2. The day in the Senate was eventful because of a notable speech by Senator Hoar on his bill regulating trusts and an attack by Senator Vest on protected industries through the operation of the Dingley law.

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Wednesday, Jan. 7. The Senate discussed the bill for the reorganization of the militia, and also the statehood bill. Mr. Mallory of Florida led the Democratic senators in opposition to the section of the militia bill providing for a reserve force of trained men, the contention being that it not only infringed the rights of the several states, but also increased the standing army by 100,000 men.

Thursday, Jan. 8. A House bill was passed amending the internal revenue laws allowing all distilled spirits now in bonded warehouses, or which may hereafter be produced and deposited therein, the same allowance for loss from leakage or evaporation which now exists in favor of distilled spirits gauged and deposited prior to Jan. 1, 1899.

Friday, Jan. 9. This was private pension day in the House, and 144 bills were passed, some of them of especial importance. Mr. Russell (Texas), the successor of the late Mr. Grafton, criticized the House for undue haste in the consideration of private pension legislation, and precipitated quite a debate.

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HEALTHY WOMEN

Praise Pe-ro-na as a Cure for Colds and a Preventive of Colds



MRS. M. J. BRINK FIRST STAGE OF CATARRH. A Serious Mistake Which Thousands Are Making. The first stage of catarrh is what is commonly known as "catching cold." It may be in the head, nose, throat or lungs.

MISS ELIZABETH UEBER, No. 51 Beasant street, Albany, N. Y., writes: "I have always dreaded unsteady weather because of my extreme liability to catch cold."

MISS SARAH MCGAHAN, No. 127 Third street Albany, N. Y., writes: "A few months ago I suffered with a severe attack of influenza, which caused much suffering and prostration."

THE WORLD'S COSTLIEST LACES. The costliest laces in the world, according to a French lace dealer, are owned by Mrs. Astor, whose laces he estimates to be worth \$300,000; the Vanderbilts, who have \$500,000 worth; the Pope, who has \$900,000 worth; Queen Alexandra, \$375,000 worth; the Princess of Wales, \$250,160 worth, and the ex-Empress Eugenia, who has a magnificent collection.

IMMENSE TOBACCO PURCHASE. Forty-Eight Thousand Dollars Paid for a Fancy Lot of Tobacco. The biggest purchase of high-grade tobacco ever made in the West by a single manufacturer was made Wednesday by Frank F. Lewis, Peoria, Ill., for his exclusive Single Binder cigar.

AGED WOMAN LONELY FOR DEATH. Mary MacDonald of Philadelphia celebrated recently her one hundred and thirty-third birthday. She is believed to be the oldest human being in the world.

PHILANTHROPIST—"How did you happen to become a tramp?" Tramp—"Well, my father neglected to leave me a fortune, and I was too proud to work, so we got into it."

THE GOLDEN SQUARE. Something of interest about the wealth in oil, gas and mineral lands in Southwest Missouri, Southeast Kansas and Indian Territory, traversed by the M. K. & T. Ry., free on request. Address James Barker, 601 Pass. Agent, M. K. & T. Ry., 101 Wainwright Bldg., St. Louis.

ONLY AN AMATEUR. "Yes, she is a good woman in her way, but we don't consider her a real leader in philanthropic work."

MANY SCHOOL CHILDREN ARE SICKLY. Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children, used by Mother Gray, a nurse in Children's Home, New York, break up Colds in 24 hours, cure Feverishness, Headache, Stomach Troubles, Teaching Disorders and Destroy Worms. At all druggists, 25c. Sample mailed free. Address Allen S. Gimsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

THE HOLD-UP OF EXOTICIVENESS. Ethel—Ethel, what is reserve force? Ethel—Oh, it is being so reserved that everybody is afraid of you—and you don't make any friends.

IT TAKES A STEAMER A WEEK TO GO DOWN the Russian river Volga from the point where it begins to be navigable (Rybinsk) to the Caspian.

THE BEST RESULTS IN STAMENING can be obtained only by using Defiance Starch. Laundry getting a 20% more for their starching—no cooking required.

READING MAY MAKE A FULL MAN, but literary victuals are not what an empty man wants in this kind of weather.

DEFIANCE STARCH IS PUT UP 18 ounces in a package, 10 cents. One-third more starch for same money.

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WESTERN CANADA HAS FREE HOMES FOR MILLIONS. Thousands of 16000 American people are waiting to be settled in the West.

Some Rare Bargains in Texas Lands. \$2500000 in land, all stock, land, cattle, horses, sheep, etc.

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Depsin. It is the only remedy for all the ailments of the throat, nose, and lungs.

\$2.00 FOR \$1.00 INVESTMENT WITH 3% PER ANNUAL GOLD BONDS. TO SECURE INTERESTED, APPLY TO N. W. ARMSTRONG, 175 BROADWAY, NEW YORK.

TRAINING SCHOOL FOR MINERS. The Illinois Mining School, Chicago, Ill., offers instruction in all the branches of mining.

FINE SERVICE TO MINNEAPOLIS. The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Company.

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