CIVIL SERVICE.

Annual Report of the Commission.

Feb. 15.—The annual report of the civil service commission for the year ending June 30, 1897, has been made to the president. It begins by showing that after a period of nearly 15 years, the advantages of the civil service have been largely realized. In fact, it has proved to be a period of effective force in public affairs.

The report changes in the [illegible] system and the [illegible] under the patronage [illegible] and efficiency and in striking contrast with the inefficiency of [illegible]

[illegible] examinations [illegible] 15,145, of [illegible] number of applicants. The commission [illegible] steadily [illegible] practical, [illegible] highly of the [illegible] on the efficiency [illegible] especially [illegible] department in [illegible] On the other hand it deprecates the limited tenure of government [illegible] that it impairs the efficiency of [illegible] open the door for po-

[illegible] recommends that [illegible] the civil service law include all positions to [illegible] rules can be applied [illegible] the service, [illegible] the best interests of the service [illegible] the civil service [illegible] the municipal [illegible] of Columbia, [illegible] national library [illegible] the next cen-

SUNDAY RACING.

Votes Against the Proposition.

[illegible] three days [illegible] assembly of [illegible] Wheelmen Friday [illegible] one of the [illegible] held by the [illegible] in the fight of President [illegible] was successful [illegible] question of [illegible] the matter of Sunday racing was defeated. An amendment [illegible] that state divisions be [illegible] right to determine for [illegible] ther or not Sunday bicycle [illegible] be permitted was indefinitely postponed by but six votes. [illegible] amendments were disposed of the day in various ways, [illegible] definitely postponed or [illegible] while four were defeated. [illegible] Keenan, Jr., of Pitts- [illegible] ted a resolution calling [illegible] national government to make [illegible] the Turkish government [illegible] payment of $40,000 in- [illegible] murder of Frank E. Lenz, [illegible] a member of the L. A. W., [illegible] while on a [illegible] world. The resolution, [illegible] highly complimentary [illegible] and bicyclist, was adopted [illegible] vote, and Mr. Keenan [illegible] to push the claim. [illegible] continuous racing, held under [illegible] auspices, was done away [illegible] adoption of an amendment [illegible] rules providing that in [illegible] held hereafter the [illegible] be compelled to rest [illegible] hours a day or 12 hours dur-

Joseph to Abdicate.

[illegible] 12.—Emperor Francis [illegible] celebrate this year the fiftieth [illegible] of his succession to [illegible] has decided to signalize [illegible] resigning in favor of his [illegible] Archduke Francis Ferdinand [illegible] now entirely restored to [illegible] news, circulating here in [illegible] is confirmed by the em- [illegible] and by the dignitaries [illegible] who declare that he [illegible] the cares and worries of [illegible] will not be a complete [illegible] he will retain the title of [illegible] possession of the crown. [illegible] ent existed during the [illegible] of the reign of his prede- [illegible] Ferdinand, when Arch- [illegible] was virtually a vice em-

Slaughter Jews.

[illegible] 5.—Count Esterhazy said [illegible] Dreyfus was guilty and [illegible] more than 150 incrimi- [illegible] in evidence at his [illegible] opinion no new trial will [illegible] d. Moreover, if Dreyfus [illegible] appear in France again [illegible] 100,000 Jews slaughter [illegible] should be acquitted [illegible] a revolution in Paris. [illegible] would be put at the head [illegible] crusade against the Jews [illegible] The garrison of Paris [illegible] forced by troops from

[illegible] ess of Mothers.

[illegible] Feb. 14.—The national [illegible] thers will hold its second [illegible] Washington the first [illegible] and the prospects are that [illegible] will be even larger than [illegible] names of many notable [illegible] will appear upon the [illegible] the sessions will continue

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BAD FOR ESTERHAZY.

Experts Testify His Handwriting Resembles That of the Bordereau.

Paris, Feb. 16.—The arrival of M. Zola, M. Perrieux and others at the assizes court of the Seine Tuesday was not marked by any incident. The crowd present was not so large as that of Monday. Opinions as to the issue of the trial vary greatly. While some people are already discussing the extent of the sentences, others regard the acquittal of the defendants as certain, as it is evident the court is becoming favorably disposed toward M. Zola.

The presiding judge Tuesday disallowed the request of counsel for M. Zola that the experts heard at the Esterhazy court-martial should be called to testify.

M. Crepieux Janin, a handwriting expert, strenuously denied that he had attempted to bribe M. Teyssonnieres to modify his reports of the Dreyfus bordereau.

Director Meyer, of the French record office, declared that the published facsimilies of the bordereau were as exact as possible and he thought that Gen. Pelleux's contention that the facsimiles looked like forgeries was an exaggeration. Witness admitted that he had acted wrongly in entrusting the examination of the bordereau to M. Bertillon, who, he asserted, had acted in a manner devoid of all sense. M. Meyers said that the handwriting of Maj Esterhazy resembled that of the bordereau.

Prof. Ernest Moulinier, of the College of France, testified that Maj. Esterhazy's handwriting absolutely resembled that of the bordereau. Three amateur experts in handwriting testified that the facsimile was an exact reproduction of Maj. Esterhazy's handwriting, statements which caused further sensations in court.

The excitement caused by the trial has greatly abated, but the real interest is absorbing and grows daily. Count Esterhazy will be examined to-day. When the trial is finished, the discussion will be moved to the chamber of deputies and the senate, where the cabinet will be on its trial.

REVOLT IN HUNGARY.

Peasants and Gendarmes Fight—A Number Killed.

Vienna, Feb. 16.—The agrarian socialist movement in Hungary is becoming most serious. At Kistarkany, in the Kaschau district, a thousand peasants are in open revolt. They have murdered the local magistrate and are holding the village against the troops sent to restore order. At Agrad, in the same district, in a desperate fight between the gendarmes and the peasants four were killed and 20 wounded. At Karasz the socialists tried to liberate their imprisoned comrades and the gendarmes were obliged to prevent an onset with leveled bayonets. A woman tried to wrest his rifle from a gendarme and the latter stabbed her in the breast. She fell dead. There have been many arrests and much disorder in other districts. At Szathmar a rioter has been killed. The sale of gunpowder has been prohibited in the disturbed localities and nobody is allowed out of doors after seven in the evening without a special permit. There is talk of proclaiming a siege.

ELECTIONS IN PENNSYLVANIA.

Republicans Generally Successful in Contest for Municipal Offices.

Philadelphia, Feb. 16.—The municipal election in this city Tuesday resulted in a victory for the republican candidate for receiver of taxes, William J. Roney. His majority is conservatively estimated at 25,000 over the vote polled by William H. Rawn, a candidate of the citizens and municipal league parties. In addition to the election of Mr. Roney, the republican candidate for magistrate, David T. Hart, was elected. City elections were held throughout the state. Lancaster elected a democratic mayor by a majority of six votes. At the last election the republican majority was 487. The republicans carried everything else. Harrisburg elected a republican supervisor and gained a slight majority of the other officers.

NOTED PRELATE DEAD.

Rt. Rev. C. T. Quintard, Episcopal Bishop of Tennessee, Passes Away.

Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 16.—Rt. Rev. C. T. Quintard, Episcopal bishop of Tennessee, died suddenly in Meridianville, Ga., Tuesday.

[Bishop Quintard was about 73 years of age and was a native of Stamford, Conn., by birth, though he had lived in Tennessee most of his life, his first parish having been in Nashville. He was a chaplain in the confederate army, was elected bishop soon after the war, and during his service has always devoted much attention to the university of the south at Sewanee, having practically refounded the institution and enlisted the church in all the states in its behalf.]

GARCIA'S CAMP DESTROYED.

Spaniards Deal a Telling Blow to Insurgents.

Havana, Feb. 16.—Spanish reports say Gen. Nario, operating in the Contramaestre district with 900 Spanish infantry, 153 cavalrymen and two guns, during the last five days, has destroyed the camp of the insurgent general, Calixto Garcia. The insurgents are said to have left 15 men killed and to have retired with additional loss. The Spanish troops, it is added, had five men killed, and five officers and 44 soldiers wounded.

THE NEW WORLD.

Interest Is Aroused in the Canadian West.

The exhibits of grains and grasses, roots and vegetables, the product of the fertile lands of Western Canada, which were made at the several state and county fairs in some of the Western states this fall, have awakened considerable interest in the lands which the Canadian Government has opened for settlement, and which are given free to settlers. The agents of the government, who are to be found in these states, are flooded with inquiries regarding the conditions on which these lands may be secured. Large numbers have located on these lands during the past year, and send back to their friends most encouraging reports. They say they have entered on an era of prosperity, and are well pleased with both the agricultural possibilities and the climate. The provinces of Manitoba, Assinaboia and Alberta are especially adapted to diversified farming. In some parts the country is specially adapted to stock raising, and it is being profitably pursued. In these parts snow seldom remains a week at a time, the warm breezes from the ocean affecting the climate thus favorably. When the desirability of these lands is fully known there will be a rush such as has scarcely ever before been known. Information as to low railway rates, illustrated pamphlets, etc., will be forwarded with pleasure by the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, Canada, if you are not in possession of the name of an agent of the government.

Looking Forward.

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This Is How to Make Grain-O.

In directions last week in this paper for making Grain-O, it should have been stated that a tablespoonful (not a teaspoonful) be used to two cups of cold water. Try it this way.

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CAUSE FOR ALARM.

How baldness begins.

How to prevent it.

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