

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

[SPECIAL TO THE NEWS.]

WASHINGTON, D. C. July 24.—Those who are professing so much astonishment because the administration has declined to take any official notice of the "round robin" of the newspaper correspondents, at Manila, jumping all over Gen. Otis for his method of conducting the campaign against Aguinaldo and for his censorship of what they send to their papers, should refer to a file of any of the big newspapers during the civil war. They will find that President McKinley is following the example of Lincoln under similar circumstances, in leaving the correspondents and Gen. Otis to settle their difficulties themselves. The "round robin's" charges against Gen. Otis were mild compared with charges that were made time after time against Generals Grant, Sherman, Sheridan, Butler, Burnside and others by newspaper correspondents. The General who can conduct a campaign to please the war correspondents is yet to be born.

Secretary Alger's resignation is in the hands of the President to take effect at the pleasure of the latter.

The time within which reciprocity treaties could be negotiated under the Dingley law expired this week. Great Britain has negotiated four of these treaties for her colonies — Barbadoes, Bermuda, British Guiana, and Jamaica and Germany and France began negotiations, but never completed them, owing to failure to agree. That need not, however, prevent the negotiation of treaties with those countries, under the Constitutional authority possessed by the President, if the representatives of those countries can agree with our representatives. Such treaties would be known as "commercial" treaties, instead of "reciprocity" treaties, but the name would make no difference, and such treaties would be ratified in the usual way, by a two-thirds vote of the Senate, whereas the treaties negotiated under the Dingley law will have to be ratified by both branches of Congress.

It was not generally known, before his recent visit to Washington, that Gen. Harris Gray Otis, of Los Angeles, Cal., was once foreman of the Government Printing Office, although there are still a number of printers in the office who worked under him. When he visited the office, for the first time since he left more than thirty years ago, he shook hands with all his old fellow-craftsmen and recalled many pleasant reminiscences of the establishment, which was not then, as it is now, the largest printing office in the world.

The executive committee of the American Anti-Trust League, which claims to be represented in every State and Territory, held a meeting in Washington this week. It claims to be non-political in a partisan sense, but its intention is to try to bring about the defeat of every candidate, regardless of his party, who will not avow himself an open enemy of trusts.

When all that have been secured are in place, the National Museum will have an interesting collection of relics of the war with Spain. It is the intention of the Museum authorities to arrange all of these relics in one comprehensive group. Among the relics already at the Museum, but not yet on exhibition, are a large number from Cervera's fleet, including a ship's light from the Rein a Mercedes, and armor plate from that vessel, and from the Maria Thereca which has been melted into some odd and curious

shapes by the intense heat, and a lot of projectiles for all sorts of guns.

A Washington florist has called public attention to the fact that the American Beauty rose, now grown everywhere that roses are loved, was first produced by Hon. George Bancroft, who, in addition to being a diplomat and historian, was an enthusiastic and scientific grower of roses. As soon as it became known among his friends of similar tastes that Mr. Bancroft had produced a new and beautiful rose, his conservatory was robbed one night and the plant upon which the roses had been produced was carried off. It was carried to France and there the new rose, which had not been named by Mr. Bancroft, was introduced to the world as the American Beauty. The thief was never traced.

Senator Chandler seems to have found a man in the person of Civil Service Commissioner Brewer who doesn't scare worth a cent. Senator Chandler threatened to prefer charges against Brewer, and to ask the President to remove him, because of the manner in which he conducted the investigation of the charges against Senator Gollinger, and it is said he has done so. Mr. Brewer says the investigation was conducted properly and that he is willing to stand by his refusal to accept hearsay as evidence against Senator Gollinger, or any other man charged with violation of law.

"I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in my family for years and always with good results," says Mr. W. B. Cooper of El Rio, Cal. "For small children we find it especially effective." For sale by Ben Haymon, Rock Point, or Emery J. Eastman, Gold Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Davis started on their automobile trip across the continent on July 13. The start was made from the Herald Square, New York, and the first stop was at Tarrytown, where the occupants passed the night before proceeding on their journey. The carriage was escorted through the city by a number of automobile vehicles, and attracted much attention.

COUNTY SCHOOL NOTES.

BY SUPT. G. A. GREGORY.

Teachers, remember the report to the superintendent at the close of each term.

In two cases there were errors made in the number of pupils reported in March but not noticed until the April apportionment. Correction has been made in the July apportionment.

Last Thursday we had the pleasure of visiting the school in Cove district taught by Nellie Dickey. A group of wideawake children was found in charge of a teacher who knows how to interest them and give them good instruction.

Under the new law there are four apportionments of school funds each year; January, April, July and October. The July apportionment has been made. The usual August apportionment of the state fund will be made in October and will be about \$1.20 to \$1.40 per pupil.

It speaks well for the teachers of our county to find so many of them attending and participating in the Chautauqua. About 40 were in attendance part or all the time and a dozen or more took some part in the program. The Round Table in charge of Prof. Washburn was unusually successful. One of the good things was a paper on the subject of "Reading" by Miss Lida Lattridge, assistant principal of the Ashland high school.

Another encouraging feature was the large attendance of our young

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I. G. Davidson, a real-estate dealer of Portland, who recently visited southern Oregon, told a Telegram reporter the following: "The farmers of Missouri flat, a large and fertile area in Jackson county, have banded together in an organization to build a canal 40 miles long, tapping Rogue river high enough up to obtain a good head for irrigating in the summer, and for placer mining in the winter. These farmers are bonding their lands to raise the money to build this ditch, which will double the value of their properties as soon as finished." Another case of going away from home to get the news.

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All persons indebted to said estate are requested to settle the same immediately and those having claims against said estate will present them to me at my office in Gold Hill, Oregon, with proper vouchers attached, within six months after the date of first publication of this notice.

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