

A little to the west a picturesque gorge breaks through the bluff to the river. A little stream tumbles through the gorge, and in its final leap to the river makes a cascade of about thirty feet. So we might go on describing for pages, but the only way to know Mountain Park is to go there in person. It will undoubtedly develop into a popular resort. What it needs is a street car or dummy line from the heart of the city to the summit—"a consummation devoutly to be wished."

PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

The Government Building.

The large, three-story stone building, surmounted by the colors of the Union, on the north side of Second Street between Center and Spring, is the U. S. Government Building, used as Postoffice and Custom House.

The lower floor is devoted to the Postoffice Department, under the efficient management of Postmaster R. A. Edgerton. Through his kindness we are enabled to present the following information about the Department.

Besides the postmaster the entire force numbers twenty-three. Of these thirteen are clerks and ten are mail carriers. E. B. Knight is assistant postmaster; A. S. Breyman, money order clerk; and G. B. Wright, registry clerk.

The business of the postoffice keeps constantly increasing till it begins to assume gigantic proportions. For instance, the receipts of the money order office for the year ending March 31, 1890, were \$1,114,495.23. The receipts of the postal department are kept separate from those of the money order department, and they amounted to \$142,624.22. The number of registered packages, letters and pouches handled was 134,996. The number of pieces of mail matter received reaches the astonishing figure—3,645,385; while the people of Little Rock dispatched nearly twice that number.

The second floor is devoted to various government offices. On the north side we find the Collector of Internal Revenue, Col. Henry M. Cooper, with his three deputies and the gauger. The Collector is the custodian of the building.

On the other side of the corridor are the offices of the Land Receiver, Judge M. W. Gibb, and the Register, Patrick Raleigh; also of the U. S. District Attorney, C. C. Waters, and his assistant. Here, too, is to be found the Chief Clerk of the Railway Mail Service, W. L. Cate.

The third floor is largely devoted to the rooms of the U. S. Court, Judges, and Jury. Here also is the office of the U. S. Marshal, Oscar M. Spellman, and of the Clerk of Court, Ralph L. Goodrich.

