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FROM INDIA

By One on Medical Duty in that Far Eastern Country. No Let Up in the Heat. Nurses Needed. A Native Tea Party. Pine Clothes and Jewelry in Profusion. While a Phonograph Furnishes the Entertainment.

Dear Home Folk:

JHANSI, AUGUST 23rd. Another torrid day well spent in trying to help sick folks is now coming to an end. It is nine-thirty and I have just come in from making a visit in the city to a young woman who is having a bad time trying to breathe, and having fixed her up for the night so she could be a little comfortable, I want to chat a short

It is beautiful here tonight and I wish the mosquitos would stop buzzing long enough for me to really enjoy it, but you see those lovely little pests rather spoil the beautiful black and white effect of the moon and the trees, by suggesting temperature and hot, stuffy head feelings of malaria.

It does seem strange out here; people are so kind and nice to me that I can scarcely help but wonder what "axe they have to grind," and when I find they are really sincere I am rather embarrassed and feel like drawing into my shell, for I truly can't see what they find in me to like. You will wonder what this means. Only another lot of invitations from the very nicest women of this place, for dinners and teas and it is bad when you feel absolutely incompetent to return even a small part of their goodness.

The girls are coming back from their vacations and so very soon we will be a large family jogging along in a regular rut as before we all separated for the

Tonight, after getting through with my own work. I went out to call upon a sick English woman, who has been very kind to me, and also to call upon a sick man, Captain Anscough, whom I have met several times. His Colonel's wife chaperoned me in the call and since he is to be married shortly I felt very safe from criticism. He had sent word asking whether I would not come and cheer him up a bit.

These people have a bad time herenot a single nurse in this big station and they must just lie down on their beds and let the native servants wait upon them, and you can imagine how pleasant that would be. Truly it is horrible, especially in poor Mrs. MacKenzie's case. She is ready to go back to England, and in fact sails next week, yet here she is—
alone, very ill, and no one to nurse her.

I feel so sorry and would be glad to go

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quite English fashion, I was shown all her beauties. These consisted of very beautiful materials edged with gold galloon or tinsel (truly silver and gold) such as we see on our Christmas trees, and the combinations were fascinating. Then she showed me what Mohammed women call pajamas; the wide ones are made of heavy purple satin (nine yards in a pair) trimmed with the heaviest kind of gold braid. The tight kind were nearly all made of brilliant satin-cerise, pink and yellow, with three-leafed clover in gold on them. Around the ankles of these are worn a four-inch cuff, heavily embroidered in gold. The little shirt, coming to the tip of the hip, was made of pale pink silk embroidered all over in roses and trimmed about the bottom, sleeves and neck with three-inch silver braid; or maybe it was of light blue stuff like chiffon, and over this gorgeousness chil was thrown the "chuda" or long scarflike affair that is used to cover the head. By far the most gorgeous of all was the dress, made of the most beautiful material and although mostly of gauzy stuff, was always run with gold thread and edged with gold embroidery, heavily overlaid with pearl beads until when thrown over the head it drops heavily on either side as though weighted. Her husband, a very handsome individual, who is a Major in the native troops, speaks English and dresses like an Englishman, was there, and told me that all his wife cared for these pretty things was for packing away in her boxes; she nearly always wearing some simple white wash material, and he asked me to tell her to

Her jewelry was very, very gorgeous; not at all beautiful in my eyes, far too elaborate, and yet the long ear-rings with three or four tiers of pendants made me think of the long ear-rings worn at home; quite the same, except for pure adornment. I rather prefer the Mohammed form, but so much of hers had glass—green and white set into solid gold settings, while an ordinary green glass bead would alternate with a true pearl, making the whole think look tawdry to me. To tell you how good weight the gold is; when you buy a gold ring or chain the dealer produces a little pair of scales and gives you its exact weight, their gold is "four annas a teal" and he will charge you a few "annas" for makadornment. I rather prefer the Moham-

ing. You purchase your trinket and at Constitutional Amendments any time he will give you full value for the "country" gold weighed in your jewelry. English gold don't bring as high value as Indian, so they designate it as

"country" gold. After we had eaten cakes and fruit, which she pared and handed to me without any napkin or plate, we were asked out any napkin or plate, we were asked out into her court-yard and had chairs, (something I had never seen before in a native's house.) We were entertained by a phonograph with native records. It was all so funny; I could look up into the blue sky, the same that was looking the blue sky, the same that was looking down on you, and here was I surrounded an eight-feet high wall, in a little court yard with not a blade of anything green. On one side the servants were squatting, washing the tea dishes by pouring water over them from a "lota" and rubbing them with their fingers, afterward placing them on the hard, yellow ground, Mrs. Ree, the hospital matron, and myself with this eastern beauty in the middle of the "purdah" garden listening to the talking machine. Not a single word did I understand, but they both translated for me as fast as they could. The fun was so immature I couldn't even coax up a smile. We then came home, riding in the regulation "tonga" and being nearly bumped to pieces, as we had been taken a long way off the regular road, and "tongas" have no springs. The hostess is very, very fat and is wanting to get thin and I feel inclined to tell her that if she will allow herself to be driven over three roads for the state. could. The fun was so immature I herself to be driven over three roads for a while she will not need to worry about or

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Constitutional Amendments

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION SUBMITTED TO THE CITIZENS OF THIS COMMONWEALTH FOR THEIR APPROVAL OR REJECTION, BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND PUBLISHED BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH IN PURSUANCE OF ARTICLE XVIII OF THE CONSTITUTION.

A JOINT RESOLUTION roposing an amendment to article nine, section four of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the State to issue bonds to the amount of fifty millions of dollars for the improvement of the highways of the Commonwealth.

Commonwealth.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the eighteenth article thereor:

That section four of article nine, which reads as follows:

and do what I could for her, but your own business takes all your best time and only a little is left. I can't understand why the English government don't keep good, trained nurses near their big military stations, but I am told there is not a nurse in India supported by that government, even with all the troops they have here.

I went to a native ladies tea party the other afternoon, and after having tea,

A JOINT RESOLUTION A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to section seven, article three of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, so as to permit special legislation regulating labor. Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article thereof.

Amendment to Article Three, Section Seven.

Section 2. Amend section seven, article three of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, which reads as follows:—

of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, which reads as follows:

"Section 7. The General Assembly shall not pass any local or special law authorizing the creation, extension, or impairing of liens:

"Regulating the affairs of counties, cities, townships, wards boroughs, or school districts:

"Changing the names of persons or places:

"Changing the venue in civil or criminal cases:

"Authorizing the laying out, opening, altering or maintaining roads, highways, streets or alleys:

"Relating to ferries or bridges, or incorporating ferry or bridge companies, except for the erection of bridges crossing streams which form boundaries between this and any other State:

"Vacating roads, town plats, streets or alleys:
"Relating to cemeteries, graveyards, or public grounds not of the State:
"Authorizing the adoption or legitimation of children:

children:

"Locating or changing county-seats, erecting new counties, or changing county lines:

"Incorporating cities, towns, or villages, or changing their charters:

"For the opening and conducting of elections, or fixing or changing the place of voting:

"Granting divorces:

"Erecting new townships or boroughs, changing township lines, borough limits or school districts:

"Creating corporations, or amending, renewing or extending the charters thereof:
"Granting to any corporation, association or individual any special or exclusive privilege or

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Vacating roads, town plats, streets or alleys:
Relating to cemeteries, graveyards, or public grounds not of the State:
Authorizing the adoption, or legitimation of children:

township lines, borough limits or school districts:

Creating offices, or prescribing the powers and duties of officers in counties, cities, boroughs, townships, election or school districts:
Changing the law of descent or succession:
Regulating the practice or jurisdiction of, or changing the rules of evidence in, any judicial proceeding or inquiry before courts, aldermen, justices of the peace, sheriffs, commissioners, arbitrators, auditors, masters in chancery or other tribunals, or providing or changing methods for the collection of debts, or the enforcing of judgments, or prescribing the effect of judicial sales of real estate:

Regulating the fees, or extending the powers and duties of aldermen, justices of the peace, magistrates or constables:

Regulating the management of public schools, between the constant of school busses and

Creating corporations, or amending, renewing r extending the charters thereof: a while she will not need to worry about the extra amount of flesh left

There has come a break in the rains this past week and now, four days since beginning this letter, the heat has all come back and we sit about sweltering, wishing for a breeze that does not come, and in dripping clothes, but there is now no mould and no mildew.

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have jurisdiction to grant the same or relief asked for.
A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 2 ROBERT McAFEE, Secretary of the Commonwealth

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION.

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Proposing an amendment to section three of article eight of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (if the Senate concur). That the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article thereof:—

Section 2. Amend section three of article eight, which reads as follows: "All judges elected by the electors of the State at large may be elected at either a general or municipal election, as circumstances may require. All the elections for judges of the courts for the several judicial districts, and for county, city, ward, borough, and township officers, for regular terms of service, shall be held on the municipal election day: namely, the Tuesday next following the first Monday of November in each odd-numbered year, but the General Assembly may by law fix a different day, two-thirds of all the members of each House consenting thereto: Provided, That such elections shall always be held in an odd-numbered year" so as to read:

Section 3. All judges elected by the electors of the State at large may be elected at either a general or municipal election, as circumstances may require. All elections for judges of the courts for the several judicial districts, and for county, city, ward, borough, and township officers, for regular terms of service, shall be held on the municipal election day: namely, the ficers, for regular terms of service, shall be held on the municipal election day; namely, the Tuesday next following the first Monday of November in each odd-numbered year, but the General Assembly may by law fix a different day, two-thirds of all the members of each House consenting thereto: Provided, That such elections shall be held in an odd-numbered year: Provided further, That all judges for the courts of the several judicial districts holding office at the present time, whose terms of office may end in an odd-numbered year; shall continue to hold their offices until the first Monday of January in the next succeeding even-numbered year.

A true copy of Concurrent Resolution No. 3.

ROBERT McAFEE,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

A JOINT RESOLUTION.

Proposing an amendment to section one of article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, relating to taxation.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article thereof:—

Section 2. Amend section one of article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, which reads as follows:

"All taxes shall be uniform, upon the same class of subjects, within the territorial limits of the authority levying the tax, and shall be levied and collected under general laws; but the General Assembly may, by general laws, exempt from taxation public property used for public purposes, actual places of religious worship, places of burial not used or held for private or corporate profit, and institutions of purely public charity," so as to read as follows:

All taxes shall be uniform upon the same class of subjects, within the territorial limits of the authority levying the tax, and shall be levied and collected under general laws, and the subjects of taxation may be classified for the purpose of laying graded or progressive taxes; but the General Assembly may, by general laws, exempt from taxation public property used for public purposes, actual places of religious worship, places of burial not used or held for private or corporate profit, and institutions of purely public charity.

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 4.

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ROBERT McAFEE.

Secretary of the Commonwealth Number Five.
A JOINT RESOLUTION.

Article IX. sued, by any county or municipality, other than Philadelphia, to provide for the construction or acquisition of waterworks, subways, underground railways or street railways, or the appurtenances thereof, shall be considered as a debt of a municipality, within the meaning of section eight of article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania or of this amendment, if the net revenue derived from said property for a period of five years, either before or after the acquisition thereof, or, where the same is constructed by the county or municipality, after the completion thereof, shall have been sufficient to pay interest and sinkingfund charges during said period upon said obligations, or if the said obligations shall be secured by liens upon the respective properties, and shall impose no municipal liability. Where municipalities or counties shall issue obligations to provide for the construction of property, as herein provided, said municipalities or counties may also issue obligations to provide for the interest and sinking-fund charges accruing thereon until said properties shall have been completed and in operation for a period of one year; and said municipalities and counties shall not be required to levy a tax to pay said interest and sinking-fund charges, as required by section ten of article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, until after said properties shall have been operated by said counties or municipalities during said period of one Hardware.

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