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WASHINGTON LETTER (From our regular correspondent.)

Unless it be purely the desire to be fashionable, I cannot see why the people of Washington love their own homes every season and seek a Summer resort when, in fact, Washington would do well to set up itself as a first-class Summer resort, nearly all necessary conditions being extremely favorable.

War on the caterpillar is now on. The day in the Capitol City, and a score or more men are engaged in destroying the cocoons of these pests which infest the stately shade trees of the many beautiful parks.

In religious circles last Sunday the attraction was the Rev. Sam. Small, the Georgia evangelist, who preached most effectively.

The burst of martial feeling over the incident of the Confederate battle-flags is most unfortunate, and it appears was unnecessarily magnified, perhaps for political purposes, as is evidenced by Mr. Sherman's bitter remarks on the subject.

Madam Grady and her cohorts are discussing a choice bit of social gossip of a highly sensational nature.

At last, Speaker Carlisle has yielded to the pressure upon him of Congressmen and business men and openly announces himself in favor of an extension of Congress.

The colored people of Washington were both surprised and delighted the other night by President Cleveland attending the commencement of their High School and distributing the diploma.

The following law was passed by the legislature of 1887: An Act to extend the minimum school term to six months.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, that it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the minimum school term shall be six months, and after the close of the school year ending on the first Monday in June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, shall be provided for school purposes shall be found insufficient to keep the schools open a greater length of time.

TAXATION. Speech of A. L. Fritz in the House of Representatives, April 27, 1887, on a bill providing for a more equal division of taxes between corporations and individuals.

Mr. Fritz said: Mr. Speaker, the equalization of taxation between all classes of persons and all classes of property is a subject of the highest importance to this House.

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heard on this question—hoping and expecting that some relief, at least will be given them. Every unbiased student of our financial policy will admit that there is a manifest division of our taxes at the present time.

As an illustration of our present system of taxation, a man bought a farm and mortgaged it for five thousand dollars. Now he paid six per cent on the use of the money, and he also paid an aggregate tax on his land for all purposes of about twenty mills, or eighty dollars tax on the land purchased with borrowed money.

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erty are paying at the present time one-fourth or one-fifth as much tax as real estate, according to the valuation of each class of property. There should be no objections to the passage of a law that will make a more equal division. If the real estate is paying four or five dollars tax to every dollar paid by corporations and other personal property, and the valuation of the one class of taxation should be changed so that there will be, as near as possible, an equal division according to the income or value of the respective property.

I am not here to defend any particular class of property or persons, but I wish to treat all alike. When I see and know that there are unreasonable discriminations against certain classes, I feel it my duty to advocate some measure that will have a tendency toward removing the objectionable features from our present tax laws.

HOOD'S COMPOUND EXTRACT OF SASSAPARILLA. The importance of purifying the blood cannot be overestimated.

CANDIDATES' CARDS. For Associate Judge, CYRUS B. McHENRY, Of Fishing Creek Township.

For PROTHONOTARY AND CLERK OF THE COURTS, WM. H. SNYDER, Of Bloomsburg.

For REGISTER AND RECORDER, C. H. CAMPBELL, Of Bloomsburg.

For REGISTER AND RECORDER, MICHAEL F. EVERLY, Of Bloomsburg.

For COUNTY TREASURER, H. C. KELCHNER, Of Scott Township.

For COUNTY COMMISSIONER, STEPHEN POHE, Of Centre Twp.

For COUNTY COMMISSIONER, L. M. CREVELING, Of Fishing Creek.

For COUNTY COMMISSIONER, WM. G. GILTON, Of Bloomsburg.

For COUNTY COMMISSIONER, ELLIAS BOWELL, Of Mt. Pleasant Township.

For COUNTY COMMISSIONER, JESSIE RITTENHOUSE, Of Beaver Twp.

Orphans' Court Sale OF VALUABLE Real Estate! Pursuant to an order of the Orphans' Court of Columbia County, Pennsylvania, the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Elias Snyder, late of Hempstead township, Columbia county, deceased, will expose to public sale, on the premises, on

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THURSDAY, JUNE 30, 1887, at 10 o'clock a. m., the undivided one-half interest of said decedent in a tract of land, in Montour township, Columbia county, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a stone in a public road, thence along said public road and land of G. Volker, south eighty-five degrees east forty-six and three-tenths degrees to a stone, thence south sixty-eight degrees east, thirty-two and six-tenths degrees to a stone, thence along land of John H. Eiler, north eighty-two and one-half degrees west, forty-four poles to a chestnut, north eighty-one and one-fourth degrees west, thirty-three and four-tenths poles to a stone, thence along land of Jacob Hartman and Henry Christian, north three degrees and twelve minutes east thirty-eight and six-tenths degrees to a stone, the place of beginning, containing

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SATURDAY, July 16, 1887, at 10 o'clock a. m., all that certain message or tract of land, situated in Centre township, Columbia County, Pa., bounded and described as follows: Viz: On the North by Nob Mountain land, on the East by the estate of the said John H. Eiler, and on the West by the estate of the said John H. Eiler, containing about sixty acres of land, more or less, which are erected a dwelling house, barn and outbuildings.

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