

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

Washington, Oct. 19, 1903.

Editor Press:—
President Roosevelt's interest in Maryland politics is one of several circumstances which have made the campaign in that state of national importance, hardly second to that of the contest in Ohio. For some time there has been a bitter factional struggle among the Maryland republicans, between the followers of Senator McComas and Representative Mudd who quarreled over federal patronage. Many of the republicans are determined that Senator McComas shall not be reelected and this lack of harmony is liable to be of service to the democrats. The leaders of both factions have had frequent interviews with the President and this gave rise to rumors that he favored first one and then the other faction. He has now made it plain that his interest in the campaign is merely a party one and that he is neither for nor against any of the republican candidates. He has appealed to the leaders to put aside their factional differences and unite to defeat the democrats. It is not known just what effect the President's attempts at harmonizing the party will have but they have much annoyed Senator Gorman who publically criticises President Roosevelt for interference in the state campaign. Mr. Gorman's criticisms may be good politics, but they are not very just as there are plenty of precedents for the president's interference in the state politics in the interest of the party.

It might also be said that the Senator from Maryland is himself interfering in the New York campaign, as he is now in that city aiding Tammany. He is one of the most probable candidates for the democratic nomination for president and many republicans feel that he is the strongest man the democrats can put up. His chances for the nomination are supposed to be in direct proportion to the democratic success in his state and this is another circumstance which makes the Maryland campaign of importance. In addition, the race question which has been made the issue of the campaign, is of special importance to President Roosevelt, as he has done much to make it a factor in present politics. He no doubt feels that a republican victory in Maryland would serve as an indorsement of attitude toward the negro, and as the state has southern sympathies, such an indorsement would have special weight with the President's northern and western critics of his negro policy. Therefore a republican victory in Maryland would give the President prestige as a party harmoniser, would be a partial indorsement of his attitude toward the negro, and would lessen the power of Senator Gorman as a possible competitor in the presidential campaign.

Senator Hansbrough is preparing a bill along the general lines recommended by the President in his message to the last session of the Fifty-seventh Congress. This measure provides that the desert land act shall be so amended as to prevent the assignment of the entryman's right before the expiration of the three years from the time of entry. Speaking on the subject of land law revision, the Senator said recently, "The facts do not warrant a complete reversal of the existing land laws, although the modifications which I have incorporated in my bill I regard as most important. People who have lived in the West, who have watched the struggles of the poor but energetic settlers in that

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A Big Scenic Production.

It is seldom that the heavy scenery and effects of the much vaunted "big city productions" is carried into the one night stands, the majority of these companies leaving behind the bulk of their impediments, claiming that "anything is good enough" for provincial audiences. An exception to this rule is "A Foxy Tramp," whose managers, Carley and Lewis, not only carry a carload of scenic and mechanical accessories, and produce the play under the personal direction of its author, Mr. Lewis. Not only is a complete acting company (composed of actors and actresses especially selected for their fitness for their respective roles) employed at high salaries, but in addition a band and orchestra of 18 pieces, under the efficient leadership of Prof. Chris. Jacoby, (late cornetist with Sousa,) discourses melody during the street parade which is given daily and pleasantly beguiles the intervals necessitated by changing the unusually heavy sets of scenery. "A Foxy Tramp" will appear at the Opera House, Emporium, one night only, Oct. 28. Opera chairs 75; reserved seats, 50; admission, 35; gallery, 25.

Have a Look.

"My child, what is that pretty piece of pink paper on my Journal?" "That papa, has your name on it and a date. The name tells the postmaster whose box to put the paper into and the date tells him how many years you have been getting the paper without paying for it. Just look at the date on this, papa. The printer must be a good, kind man to send us a paper every week for so many years without getting any pay for it." "He is, my child, he is, and I'm going to send him the money this very day that he has waited for so long; and I'm going to put in a dollar and a half besides to pay for the Journal a year ahead." "That's doing as you would like to be done by, isn't it, papa? This is what you tell us to do, and I know the paper will seem so much better if the little pink label tells us all that it is paid for ahead."—Potter Journal.

"Star" and "Crescent."

The members of the high school and senior grammar schools last week organized themselves into two literary societies, "The Star" and "The Crescent." The object, as stated in their constitution, is to promote literary, elocutionary and musical culture among their members.

The Star elected the following officers:—President, Claude Carpenter '04; vice-president, Nellie Thomas, '04; secretary, Carolyn Lechner, '04; treasurer, Edith Hellman, '05; pianist, Ida Seger, '05; librarian, Edward Hughes, '05, sergeant-at-arms, Julia Hogan, '06; critic, Miss Snedden; executive committee, Frances Blumle, '04; Elizabeth Lechner, '06; and Christina McDonald, '05.

The following is the organization of the Crescent:—President, Fred Hellman '04; vice-president, Myrtle Gregory, '04; secretary, Max Balcom, '05; treasurer, Christie McDonald, '08; pianist, Myrtle Lloyd, '05; librarian, Linn Strayer, '06, sergeant-at-arms, Clifford Burhart, '08; critic, Miss Larabee; executive committee, Florence Schlecht, '04; Ida Hertig, '06; Eva Lewis, '04.

The societies meet on alternate Friday afternoon, beginning with the Star on Oct. 30. For the present no visitors will be admitted. Later public meetings of the societies will be held.

Announcement.

Mr. C. L. Pollitzer, representing one of the leading houses in the U. S., in the manufacture of Ladies Tailor Made suits, Coats, Jackets, Walking Skirts and rain coats, will be in Emporium for one day only, at the store of M. C. Tulis on Tuesday next, the 27th, for the purpose of taking orders and measures for the above line. All parties interested are invited to call.

Caution to Sportsmen.

All persons are hereby forbidden to trespass upon the premises of the undersigned for the purpose of shooting game. Boys and others who have been in the habit this season of discharging fire arms into our homes will be dealt with severely if again detected.

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Continues to Improve.

Mrs. J. H. Wheeler, of Koral Valley, who has been confined in Bradford Hospital in a critical condition for some time, her many friends will be pleased to learn is improving. If nothing prevents she will be moved to her home within a few days. Mrs. Hurteau, her mother, continues to remain with her.

Everybody reads the PRESS.

DAVID L. BARBER BURNED TO DEATH.

Just as we go to press we learn of the death of David L. Barber, who resided on his farm between Driftwood and Sinnamahoning. About one o'clock to-day his residence caught fire and Mr. Barber went to the second floor after some article, when he was overcome and perished in the flames. He has resided in this county many years. He leaves a wife.

Elected Vice-President.

Mr. Josiah Howard, of this place, was recently elected one of the Vice-Presidents of the Pennsylvania Sabbath School Association. Hon. John Wamaker, who has been President since 1895, was re-elected.

Baptist Church.

Each member of the church is earnestly requested to attend the services Sunday morning, 11 a. m., Oct. 25th. Short services by the Young Peoples' Society, after which important business in relation to calling a pastor to be considered.

Death of Engineer Mitchell.

Engineer F. W. Mitchell, formerly of Driftwood, died in Pittsburg last Saturday from the effects of a surgical operation. His funeral took place on Monday. Mr. Mitchell was a very popular citizen of Driftwood, when he resided there, and his death is deeply regretted.

A Good Show.

It was the unanimous verdict of those who witnessed the presentation of "Down and Up," in the Casino opera house last evening that the show is a good one. It is uproariously funny, and the numerous mirth-provoking situations were greatly appreciated. A return date will be played in two weeks.—Pittsfield (Mass.) Eagle. Emporium, Wednesday, Oct. 27th.

Platform Orator.

Dr. J. Wesley Hill delivered his popular lecture, "Brain vs Brawn," before the Teachers' Institute last evening to a large audience, completely captivating our citizens with his eloquence. The lecture stands as the most popular ever listened to by our people and should the Dr. again visit Emporium he will be accorded a rousing reception. De Witt Talmage knew what he was saying when he placed Dr. Hill among the "most eloquent orators of the day."

The Teachers Institute.

Miss Collins, our energetic Supt. of Schools, has certainly given our people a line of instructors and lecturers far above any previous attractions. The attendance at both the day and evening sessions were the largest in the history of Cameron county Institutes. The instructors, Profs. Green, Schmucker, McGinnis and Miss Weiler were very entertaining. The Institute closes tomorrow morning and cannot but add to the cause of education.

Ugly Customer.

Chief-of-Police Mandy arrested an impostor, on Tuesday, who was going around town soliciting alms, pretending to be blind. When the officer attempted to land him in "cracker and water house" he was not so feeble and made it necessary to call aid. He is an ugly customer and good diet should restore his reason, which no doubt it has by this time.

Mr. Van Gelder's Home.

As announced in the Press last August Mr. Van Gelder, Supt., of Climax Company, had contracted for the purchase of the Iron Company house on Sixth street. W. H. Cramer is actively at work completing what will be a handsome residence. He expects to have it ready for occupancy by Thanksgiving, when Mr. Van Gelder will move his family to Emporium.

Will Remain at Keating Summit.

Rev. R. S. Oyler, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church at Keating Summit, who has a call to the First Methodist Episcopal church in Canton, Pa., Central New York conference, at a salary larger than that of his present position, announced to his congregation last Sunday morning that he had refused the call and would remain with them. Mr. Oyler has another offer of much consideration elsewhere.—Coudersport Enterprise.

Emmanuel Church.

Lay service, Sunday, Oct. 25th, 10:30 a. m. There will be no service in the evening.

Sunday, November 1st, celebration of the Holy Communion 10:30 a. m.

Fatal Accident.

GEORGE E. KRINER, aged 17 years, seven months and 19 days, second son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Kriner, working for John McCutcheon, at Oleona, Potter county, was instantly killed last Thursday afternoon, while working on the skidway, his dead remains being found by some of the men immediately after the accident, a large log on top of him. A telegram was sent to this place and the young man's uncle, Jas. R. Fetter, immediately went to Oleona and brought the remains to Emporium and taken to the residence of Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Beattie, on Sixth street, they being the lad's grand-parents. The funeral was held on Sunday afternoon from Baptist church, Rev. Twitchell, of Danville, officiating. The members of the young man's former class when attending our high school, attended the funeral in a body, bearing beautiful flowers. The death of this industrious young man is a terrible misfortune to his parents, he having been exceedingly kind to his mother and of great assistance. The grief stricken family have the sympathy of our citizens in this severe misfortune.

The following friends from a distance were in attendance at the funeral: Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Fetter, Mr. and Mrs. John Mann, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Robbins, Renovo.

Serious Wreck.

Last Friday afternoon a serious accident occurred on the Cameron Lumber Company's log railroad near Cameron. While loading a car with iron rails, on a steep grade up Russell Hollow, the brake chain broke letting the car down the steep incline at a terrific rate of speed. Just below, a little distance, the log loader and crew were working when their attention was attracted by the screams of a lady, who noticed the car of iron rapidly nearing the loading crew. Mrs. A. J. Turley, (of Emporium) who is stopping with her husband, who conducts a log contract, knew the men would be caught unless their attention was attracted, screamed as only a frightened lady can. The men had time to get out of danger when the crash took place. The log loader and several cars were completely demolished, entailing a loss of several thousand dollars. No one was injured except the log scaler, Robt. Shrieve, who was considerably shaken up, but no bones broken. It was a very expensive wreck.

Election Next.

The political campaign in this county has not caused a little bit of excitement, there being practically only one ticket before the voters—that of the Republican party—with the single exception of Associate Judge. The democratic machine endorsed the major portion of the Republican ticket, with the single exception of Associate Judge. For this office they nominated Mr. Floyd against Judge McDonald, the present efficient official. That Judge McDonald will be re-elected by a very large majority none will dispute. He is a safe man for the position, very attentive to the duties of the office, intelligent and capable. You will make no mistake by electing Hon. John McDonald—a tried and true officer.

The Dunbars.

The opening attraction in the institute course at the opera house Monday night was the Dunbar Concert Company and the fact that the program of ten numbers was trebled is the surest proof of the appreciation of the large audience present. Whether as quartette or bell ringers their work was of the highest excellence. The cello playing of Mr. Harry Dunbar was particularly pleasing, while the child impersonations of Miss Smith were bright and winsome, evidencing a degree of naturalness seldom reached. The entire entertainment fully justified the extravagant claims made for it and places the community under renewed obligations to Miss Collins for providing so generously for its pleasure.

Eating Room.

Mrs. L. Easterbrooks has opened in connection with her confectionery and fruit store, a first-class eating room, where oysters in every style will be served; also lunches served at all hours. Oysters by measure. 33-3t.

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EMPORIUM TO MANILA

Mr. Fred Julian Writes a Series of Interesting Letters to the Press.

LETTER NO. 4.
HONG KONG, Aug. 10, 1903.

Editor Press:—
The saying in Europe is you do not see Rome until you see the Pope; the saying here is you do not see the East until you see Canton. Our steamer for Manila being detained in Hong Kong, on account of the typhoons, not sailing until to-day. On Friday I took a trip to Canton, up the Pearl River from Hong Kong, ninety miles. I cannot describe this city with pen. I doubt if a Carpenter or a Kipling could do so, but I will do my best. After leaving Hong Kong we enter a bay full of islands, all sizes and descriptions, large and small, raising out of the bay, some to a height of 2,500 feet. It is one of the most lovely and romantic pieces of scenery it has ever been allotted to me to see. After fifty miles of this ever changing scenery we enter the Canton River, the scene at once changes. Where we had mountains we now have level, flat country, with rice fields everywhere; fences of bamboo and bananas; here and there a high spot on which a farm house is erected on a Chinese pagoda. We begin to see innumerable small crafts, Chinese junks and house boats. Junks propelled by a paddle wheel in the stern, worked by men, (coolies) generally nine of them, three abreast operating the paddle wheel in the same manner exactly that the farmers do when churning butter. Often junks propelled by sail and others by oars bore men and women at the oars. As we near the city we wonder how the steamer will ever get through and to her docks. Boats everywhere, large and small—no end to them. The house boat may be 12 or 15 feet long, or it may be 30 feet; it is an ordinary Chinese boat, much on the order of our boats, only the stern of the boat is higher out of the water and wider over the middle and stern of this boat is a kind of round top tent, similar to our Western covered wagons, but made of matting. In this boat the Chinaman and his family live all the time. If there happens to be a baby on board, the woman straps it on her back, the child's legs hanging down each side of the mother's back; if the child is asleep its head swaying side ways. You see hundreds of such sights every day, the women using the oars or doing other work right along. The larger children (and there seems to be no end to them) climbing all about the boat; most of them can swim and those that cannot, have a piece of wood tied to their backs in the shape of a bottle, if they fall overboard the wood will float them until rescued. The parents seem to be perfectly indifferent, yet you see at once they are proud of their children in these boats. The Chinaman and family live and often for a pence cost, give shelter to other coolies at night. It takes ten cents to make a cent of our money. These people make their living by carrying freight from one place to another about the river or carrying Chinese passengers; if none of these, then they fish. It is estimated, my guide told me, that there are 240,000 living in these boats around Canton. Immediately our boat tied up at the wharf, these house boats came around us in swarms and at once Chinese guides, quite intelligent, clean and well dressed, and speaking fair English came on board. I engaged one who had been recommended before by a Mr. Nilain of New Orleans. I agree to pay him two Mexican dollars (about 90 cents in our money per day). He informs me it will be necessary to hire a chair and coolies for him and myself. So we or he hired a sedan chair and three coolies for himself and four coolies and chair for me. Price per coolie about 22 cents each for the day. The chair is an ordinary cane or wicker chair placed in a wicker box about four feet long and just wide enough for the chair. On top of the box a top is placed to keep away the rays of the sun or shelter in rain; on each side of this box is fastened a long pole. We get into these chairs, the coolies lift us up and rest the poles on their shoulders and proceed to enter the city—the guide first and I follow. It is well to state that the chair has the right of way in all these cities and well it should or we would never get through. Before entering the city my guide informs me it is a walled city about six miles square and the estimated population is 2,225,000. There are no horses or wagons in the city, no sewerage except one or two small canals, green and slimy with filth. Everything that en-

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WEATHER REPORT.
(Forecast by T. B. Lloyd.)
FRIDAY, Showers.
SATURDAY, Fair.
SUNDAY, Fair.

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Prices, 25, 35, 50, 75 cents. Reserved seats on sale at Lloyd's.

The Labadie Entertainment.

Mark Twain recently made a plea for the revival of the tragic stage. "Now-a-days," he said, "when a mood comes which only Shakespeare can set to music what must we do? Read Shakespeare ourselves. Isn't it pitiful? It is playing an organ solo on a jew's-harp. We can't read. None but the Booths can do it." Mark Twain is of the opinion that if Booth were back now in his prime he could play Hamlet for three hundred nights in New York. The Labadies, who appeared Tuesday evening in the Institute course, are not Booths, and their program was by no means all tragedy; nevertheless the effect of their performance upon the audience is a justification of Mark Twain's judgment that good tragedy will find a welcome from the public. Mr. Labadie's Richard the Third was good, much better indeed than his Shylock. Mrs. Labadie was uniformly good both as the Dowager Elizabeth and as Portia. Her impersonation of the character of Portia is intelligent and discriminating, reflecting the intellectual strength and dignified bearing of the young doctor of Padua without the least sacrifice of feminine qualities of modesty, tenderness and wifely interest. In intensity of tragic power Mrs. Labadie appeared at her best as Hermione in the parting scene with Damon.

A program such as the Labadies rendered is, we think, much better worth hearing than are the usual selections of readers.

The Fats and Leans.

The postponed game between the Fats and Leans will be pulled off next Saturday at 1:30, at Keystone Park. Don't forget the lunch baskets.