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## WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)  
Washington, Jan. 9, 1904.

Little is being done in Congress. The House meets daily and passes a few pension bills with a quarter of the members present. The Senate convenes without a quorum by a good deal, and many of the members go to sleep in the cloak room while Senator Morgan of Alabama drones along in what he calls an arraignment of the administration on the Panama canal treaty. The treaty is not publicly before the Senate but the rules of that body permit talk and libitum on any matter that happens to come into the head of the talker.

Senator Morgan takes radical ground, that there is no republic of Panama; that this country has no right to foster or encourage the preposterous notion; that the whole scheme is a conspiracy for the plunder of Colombia, with which we are at peace; that the French canal company which has lost half a billion of dollars has still vitality enough to make an immense row to our great expense and detriment; that we shall hear in a few days that his prophecy has come true; that Colombia could reclaim its own and "wipe out the adventures and spoliators, Indians, negroes, and Chinaman who now constitute Panama" in about one day without interfering with the traffic on the isthmus if Mr. Roosevelt would keep his hands off, &c., &c.

There is a shadow of support for this, in the morning papers, which announce that Colombian has appealed to the French courts for an injunction to prevent the transfer of the Panama Canal Company's rights on the isthmus to the American government without the consent of Colombia. The report causes a ruffling of the waters.

Senator Marcus A. Hanna will make a strong speech against the promotion of Gen. Wood to be Major-General. A good many Republicans will probably vote against confirmation.

Congressman Rider, from New York City, has been politely but forcibly requested by Tammany to resign, so that ex-Senator Charles A. Towne can be sent to Washington in his place. He flatly refuses. Rider doesn't propose to be ridden.

Since Panama has become the centre of international interest it is not amiss to recall the fact that as long ago as 1862 President Lincoln urged a delegation of negroes to found a colony there. He agreed to protect them if they should go to the isthmus and told them they would be free and equal. It seems certain that old Abe would have hesitated to interfere under present conditions to establish a republic.

The Panama question seems likely to take a rest in Congress. Yesterday was spent in the Senate discussing the resolution for a Congressional committee to investigate post office frauds. Democrats insisted that it was necessary because such an investigation cannot properly be entrusted to the department where the fraud existed; Republicans opposed the resolution on the ground that the investigation by the Post Office Department is very thorough and that Congressional investigations seldom result in finding out anything.

Next Tuesday there will be a mass meeting in the interest of peace and arbitration at the Lafayette Theatre in this city. The speakers announced include Andrew Carnegie, Rabbi Hirsch, Cardinal Gibbons, Edward Everett Hale, Governor Durbin of Indiana, and the Presidents of Princeton and Columbia.

## Ross Crane, Jan. 10.

The next number of the Star Course will be a treat to those who like humor of a good, clean variety. At the same time you can show your appreciation of the public schools, and assist them, although getting full value for your money. Ross Crane is an artist, musician and impersonator and his program will be a charming blending of the three. Read these press comments:

Cartoonist Crane made a great hit at the Central Y. M. C. A. last Saturday evening. He certainly knows how to make the "chalk talk," as he demonstrated to the delighted satisfaction of the audience present.—Camden, (N. J.) Courier.

Mr. Rosecrans (Ross Crane) is not only an artist of ability but also a clever entertainer. His sketches were executed with great rapidity and precision and were accompanied by a running fire of humorous comment and apt and happy narrative.—Boston Transcript.

## A Jolly Party.

H. O. Haupt and A. F. Andrews were in clover last Monday evening having accompanied a party of the fair sex to Cameron, where after partaking of one of Mr. McGee's excellent suppers, they returned home, having enjoyed the excellent sleigh ride. The party was composed of Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Haupt, Mr. and Mrs. Andrews, Mrs. Jos. J. Lingle, Mrs. R. P. Heilmann, Mrs. F. P. Rentz, Mrs. E. H. Gregory, Mrs. W. B. Thompson, Mrs. H. S. Lloyd, Mrs. A. H. Farr, Mrs. A. C. Blum, Mrs. E. J. Smith, Mrs. Geo. Metzger, Sr. Mose Minard handled the ribbons, (and there are none safer) and safely glided the party to their homes. The ladies enjoyed the outing immensely.

## Gen. John B. Gordon Dead.

Gen. Gordon, the last of the surviving lieutenant generals of the Confederacy, died at Miami, Florida, last Saturday night. He is survived by a wife and two daughters. Gen'l Gordon was popular throughout the land and wielded a great influence with the late followers of "The Last Cause." Although Gen'l Gordon fought desperately for the Confederacy he was first to urge peace and loyalty to the flag. Many of our citizens, like ourselves, who have met the dead soldier and statesman, shall reverence his memory.

## The Burglar, Tuesday, Jan. 19.

A very unique niche in the history of things dramatical, is filled by Augustus Thomas' pretty play "The Burglar." No play ever written has so completely a sway upon the feelings that actuate the human being. No prettier story ever told. No dramatic teaching more profound. It appeals to all classes, from the fashionable elite, to the less wealthy people. No Madison Square success will live longer in public estimation than "The Burglar." Prices 25, 35, 50 and 75

## Wreck Near Sterling.

Monday morning Driftwood work train collided with a freight train at Strawbridge, near Sterling Run. Eighteen or twenty laborers were injured, caused by jumping from the train when they saw that a collision was unavoidable. Physicians were sent from Renovo, Driftwood and Emporium. It is a miracle that no one was killed. The gravel train crew were coming to Strawbridge to cut ice for the R. R. Co.

## Fire Escapes.

There are a number of buildings in Emporium that should be supplied with fire escapes for the protection of the occupants. The late horrible loss of life in Chicago has very generally attracted the attention of the people of all towns to the dangerous places. Emporium has a number of "death traps" and the proper officers should see that the law be enforced.

## Better Stop It.

We are informed that certain sportsmen are shooting pheasants and rabbits, especially near Sinnamahoning. They are known and if the violation of this law is again reported they will be arrested and will have the pleasure (?) of paying the penalty. The game warden has their orders and will obey the law.

## Baptist Church.

Preaching by the pastor both morning and evening. In the evening the pastor gives his second sermon in the series on "The Prodigal Son and His Elder Brother."

## For Rent.

A good nine room house, located on East Sixth street, Emporium, for rent. House supplied with all the modern conveniences, hot and cold water, furnace, bath, etc. Apply to MISS MAUD THOMAS, Emporium, Pa. 46-1f.

## DEATH'S DOINGS.

### SEIFRIED.

MRS. MARY (KRAGEL) SEIFRIED, aged 47 years, wife of Mr. A. J. Seifried, of this place, passed away at the home of her sister, Mrs. Chas. Hout, on West Sixth street, on Monday, Jan. 11th, 1904. Mrs. Seifried, who was moved to Emporium to be nearer medical treatment, has been a great sufferer for several months with a complication of diseases that baffled the skill of the best physicians. The kind and faithful husband left nothing undone in his effort to alleviate her suffering, employing the best physicians both at home and Buffalo. Deceased was a kind and devoted wife and mother. In addition to the bereaved husband and two little daughters, she leaves a large circle of relatives and many friends to mourn her death. Always kind and charitable to all while residing here, they have the heartfelt sympathy of our citizens, all of whom greatly respected the dead lady. The family have resided here since 1888.

The remains were taken to St. Marys for burial, last evening, the funeral to be held to-day. High Mass was said over the remains of the dead this morning, at St. Marys church.

Deceased was a member of a large family, many of the relatives being present here and accompanying the remains to St. Marys, viz: Mrs. John Bieman, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Herbst, Mrs. Kate Kragel, Mr. Ambrose Kragel, St. Marys; Mrs. Earl Hamlin, Toledo, Ohio; Mrs. John Hivick, Mrs. A. Mooney, Falls Creek; Mrs. Leonard Bauer, DuBois; Mrs. Geo. Imhoff, Tyler; Mrs. A. Redfoot, Mt. Jewett; Mrs. John, Miss Emma, Mr. John and Lenard Bauer, Johnsonburg.

### TERWILLIGER.

MRS. ANNA E. TERWILLIGER, wife of Melville H. Terwilliger, aged 41 years, four months and four days, died very suddenly last Friday of malignant typhoid, only having been seriously ill two days, in fact the family were not alarmed until Thursday. The shock to the family, as well as our citizens, was severe and could hardly believe the report. The deeply afflicted husband and brother, Mr. Geo. Pepper, have the kindest sympathy of our citizens in their great affliction.

Mrs. Terwilliger has resided in Emporium since she was a small child and will be pleasantly remembered as Annie Pepper, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Pepper. Early in life (Sept. 7th, 1878) she united and was confirmed as member of Emmanuel Episcopal Church and continued to affiliate with that church until 1883, when she was married to Mr. Terwilliger. Her husband having united with First Methodist Episcopal Church she joined him in worship and up to the hour of her death was a devout christian. We were intimately acquainted with the deceased and knew how charmingly she walked in life. Kind, considerate and a lady at all times and under all circumstances, she held the esteem and respect of our citizens. No wife was more devoted than she and that devotion, sustained by Him who watches over those who place their trust in the living God, made her home supremely happy. Our young friend, Mr. Terwilliger, has indeed suffered a great loss and our citizens deeply sympathize with him, as well as the other relatives.

The funeral was held on Sunday afternoon, at two o'clock, from the family residence on Spring street, and was largely attended by the admiring friends of the deceased. The services were conducted by Rev. O. S. Metzler, Pastor of First Methodist Episcopal Church, assisted by Rev. J. M. Robertson, Rector of Emmanuel Episcopal Church—the M. E. Choir furnishing the singing. The floral offerings were beautiful.

The following relatives from out of town were present: Mrs. Frances Decker, Miss Minnie Terwilliger and Mrs. C. A. Conley, of Ridgway. Many kind letters of condolence from absent friends of deceased were received by the bereaved husband.

### PANTING.

The death of JOHN PANTING, at the age of 41 years, from typhoid fever, Monday morning, Jan. 11th, was a sad surprise to his large circle of friends. The very embodiment of robust physical health—the possessor of a constitution that seemed capable of unlimited physical endurance only serves to accentuate the sense of sorrowful surprise felt by this entire community. For nearly fifteen years he was in charge of the repair shops of the Emporium & Rich Valley R. R., and was a most efficient and reliable employee.

He was held in the highest esteem by his associates in toil and by the community at large. No one was more willing to render his brother man a favor, while the tender of his kind offices in cases of sickness was ever cheerfully made. He was a member of the local organization of the Maccabees and was active in promoting its interests. He was also a communicant of the Presbyterian church of town.

Mr. Panting is survived by a wife and five children, for whom, in their great sorrow, the most heartfelt sympathy is manifest.

The funeral services will be held at the Presbyterian church, Friday, Jan. 15th, at two o'clock and will be in charge of the Rev. Robt. McCaslin and the Rev. O. S. Metzler. The Maccabees will attend in a body. Interment will be made in Newton Cemetery.

All Maccabees are requested to meet at the Tent at 1:30 sharp.

### HOUSLER.

MRS. MARY HOUSLER, aged 43 years, 11 months and 13 days, wife of our esteemed citizen, ex-County Treasurer Franklin Housler, passed to the great beyond last Sunday night, surrounded by her mother, husband, son and brother. Deceased leaves a devoted husband, mother, one son (by a former marriage) two sisters and one brother, J. A. Broshius, who faithfully day and night assisted the husband and family in caring for his sister for many weeks. The funeral took place from the family residence, corner Fifth and Maple streets, yesterday afternoon at one o'clock. Rev. McCaslin made a prayer, after which the remains were taken to Rich Valley Church, where a large concourse of friends had assembled and listened to an eloquent sermon by Rev. McCaslin. The remains were silently borne to the cemetery on the Hillside and placed in the family plot.

Deceased came to Emporium about fifteen years ago from Allegheny, N. Y., where she had resided most of her life. In Nov. 1897 she was married to Mr. Housler and up to the time, three years ago, when a fatal disease attacked her she made his home exceedingly happy. She was a good wife, model housekeeper and a very intelligent lady. Socially she was of a rather retired disposition, yet with the large circle of friends was very popular and energetically joined in much good work. During her long illness she bore her suffering heroically and fully believed she would recover. She passed away peacefully. Mrs. Housler and her husband were attendants of the Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Housler served with distinction as Lady Commander of Maccabees and Secretary of Loyal Protective Association. The Lady Maccabees attended the funeral in a body and accompanied their Past-Commander to her last resting place.

Mrs. Housler, who was a very economical manager had accumulated considerable property and was a lady of some means. The bereaved family feel keenly their loss and have our deepest sympathy.

### PIERCE.

MRS. ELSIE PIERCE, aged 52 years and 24 days, wife of Sherwood Pierce, a hard working, honest woodsman, residing on West Allegheny avenue, died very suddenly on Sunday evening, of heart failure. At the time of her death she was alone at her home, except her little niece. The funeral takes place to-day, at two o'clock, Rev. Robt. McCaslin to officiate.

### Total Darkness.

Last Saturday, about nine o'clock, the gas commenced to monkey and it did not take long to convince the people that oil lamps would be in evidence. A break in the gas line between St. Marys and Johnsonburg was the trouble and at 11 o'clock sharp the power at the electric house went to sleep and total darkness prevailed until six o'clock the next morning. We know it was six o'clock for we had been up one hour then endeavoring to coax a little gas. Supt. Kenley made sure that no accidents would occur by shutting down tight, and visited all sections of our town. When there is gas it's a pleasure, but no gas is—something else.

### Latest Popular Music.

Miss May Gould, teacher of piano-forte, has received a full line of the latest and most popular sheet music. All the popular airs. Prices reasonable. 44-1f.

Liquor is doing for the world that which the ancients thought the devil would do to them.

## Shippen Caucus.

The Republicans of Shippen Township will meet at the court house, Saturday, Jan. 23rd, 1904, between the hours of two and four, to nominate candidates for the several township offices. All candidates must file their intentions not later than Jan. 20th in order to get their names on the primary election ballot. Names may be left at Press office.

JOHN F. LEWIS,  
W. L. THOMAS,  
Committeemen.

## A Pleasant Gentleman.

C. R. Kline, of Beechwood, made his usual annual visit to the Press last Thursday and, as he has done for years punctually almost to the day, renewed his subscription for 1904. Mr. Kline is a high toned, honorable gentleman, with whom it is a pleasure to chat or do business. His valuable property, comprising several thousand acres of coal, clay, etc., will ere many moons reward him for his patience and great outlay of money.

## A Promising Young Man.

H. M. Olmsted stopped in Emporium yesterday afternoon to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Olmsted, while enroute for Ridgway, where he has been located with the Elk Tanning Co., although most of the time he is sent on business missions to all parts of the country, where the Elk Tanning Co. have either tanneries or bark contracts. Mr. Olmsted is a valued employee, trusty as steel and is bound to climb up the ladder. The United States Leather Co., of which the Elk is one link, operates ninety tanneries, thirty-nine of which belong to the Elk district and sixteen to the Penn district. The Emporium Tannery belongs to the Elk district. We almost forgot to mention the fact that Herbert dropped in to renew his Press for 1904, as all the boys do who desire the news from home.

It has been pleasing to note the many who have placed their names upon our list for the new year. Thanks, friends.

## Bowling Match.

The following is the result of the bowling match which took place Friday evening between Mr. A. Brady's and Mr. J. W. Clarke's teams. Clarke's team won this match by ten pins and was the most exciting game ever played here. Clarke broke the record of the alley by scoring 257, making nine successive strikes. Score:

BRADY'S TEAM.		Total	Average
Brady	139	137	415
Moore	125	156	438
Cummings	220	140	359
Fahrbell	147	198	184
Fohert	181	132	233
Sisibly	167	223	171
		992	1033

CLARKE'S TEAM.		Total	Average
Clarke	183	146	257
Narby	168	129	169
Cavanaugh	220	140	128
Caffo	175	159	169
Robinson	134	162	179
Craigton	151	209	149
		1009	946

The Coxey Army team challenged the winner of the above and on Tuesday evening met their Waterloo by a total of 265 pins.

## Another Old Landmark Gone.

Mr. Henry S. Drum passed quietly away on Saturday afternoon, Jan. 9th, at his home. Mr. Drum was born in Allegheny county, N. Y., Sept. 21st, 1830 and came to Cameron county in 1851. He was married to Miss Mary A. Krebs in 1852 and located at Sinnamahoning, where he lived until death. Deceased leaves a wife and four children to mourn his death, as follows: J. Harve Drum, Joseph G. Drum, Mrs. Jennie Gardner of Sinnamahoning and Mrs. Matilda Gayner of Ridgway, Pa. Mr. Drum was a carpenter by trade and one of the finest workmen in the state and was highly respected by all who knew him.

## Eye Specialist.

Prof. W. H. Budine, the well known Eye Specialist, of Binghamton, N. Y., will be at R. H. Hirsch's jewelry store, Emporium, Pa., January 15th and 16th. If you can't see well or have headache don't fail to call and see Prof. Budine, as he guarantees to cure all such cases. Lenses ground and fitted in old frames. Eyes tested and examined free. All work guaranteed.

## Special Cash Sale.

Having very large stock of Ladies and Childrens coats and furs also shirt waists on hand, will close them out at great reduction for cash. This month only.

H. A. ZARFS & CO.

Buy your clothing at the old reliable house of N. Seger.

WEATHER REPORT.  
(Forecast by T. B. Lloyd.)  
FRIDAY. Rain or snow.  
SATURDAY. Rain and Snow.  
SUNDAY. Fair.

## BRIEF MENTION.

Everybody reads the PRESS.  
The best clothes and furnishings at N. Seger's at the lowest prices.

J. L. Norie has disposed of his wood business to U. A. Palmer.

Why not look respectable when you can get good clothes at such low prices at N. Seger's.

The pay roll and vouchers paid monthly by the P. R. R. Company reaches the vast sum of \$5,000,000.

The largest and most up-to-date line of gents' furnishings in this section of the state at N. Seger's, the old reliable dealer on East Allegheny Avenue.

## Sudden Death.

A coal miner named A. Hern, who came from Dagus Mines, fell over dead at Sterling Run on Tuesday, while sitting on a truck in front of the depot. His remains were taken to Dagus.

## Card of Thanks.

Mr. Franklin Housler desires the PRESS to convey his thanks to those kind neighbors and friends who assisted him during the illness of his dear wife and the sympathy and condolence so lovingly bestowed during his dire affliction.

## Mr. Overturf to Return.

The return of Mr. Ross Overturf and wife as residents to Emporium, is expected in the near future. Mr. Overturf will again be employed by the Emporium Iron Co. Mr. and Mrs. Overturf have many friends here who will heartily welcome their return.

## Commendable Act.

Rev. Knox performed a very commendable act last Saturday night. Realizing that most of the people residing along the route between Beechwood and Emporium had retired for the night when the gas went out, he started for Emporium, arousing the people along the line. His act no doubt saved more than one life.

## New Business Firm.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Diehl will be pleased to hear that they have returned to Emporium from Portland Mills and have embarked in business. Mr. Diehl has purchased the general merchandise store recently conducted by Mr. B. U. Slocum. He has taken charge of the store and with his popular assistant, Mr. A. F. Andrews, are busily engaged adding new attractions and are now ready to wait on the public. Be sure you call and see how to save money.

## To Our Citizens.

Although there has been a few cases of typhoid in Emporium there is no positive evidence that the water is impure, yet as a precaution I would advise that all water for drinking purposes be boiled, and placed in air tight bottles or jugs and all used when opened, until the weather permit of a practical investigation. Typhoid is generally traced to impure water.

E. O. BARDWELL, M. D.,  
County Medical Inspector, State Board of Health.

## The Burglar, Tuesday, Jan. 19.

The childlike innocence on the part of little Editha after awaking from her blissful slumbers to find a burglar in her very presence, and by her conduct toward the unwelcome intruder, never fails to arouse the keenest sort of admiration. In the coolest, most self collected manner she faces the burglar, and wins him over completely. All this occurs in "The Burglar," a play that has now won its way into popular favor on account of its really pretty sentiment. Prices 25, 35, 50 and 75.

## Missionary Day at Emmanuel Church.

Next Sunday, January 17th, has been appointed as Missionary Day for Sunday Schools, will be so observed in Emmanuel Sunday School. The parents and others are invited to attend this service. The offering at the morning church service and in the Sunday School will be for General Missions. The apportionment for this parish for the year beginning the first of last September is \$99.

## Bishop's Visitation to Emmanuel Parish.

Notice has been received from Bishop Whitehead that he will visit this parish Sunday evening, February seventh, for the purpose of administering Confirmation. A class for Confirmation meets in the Parish Room, Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

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