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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

Washington, Jan. 16, 1904.

At the memorable arbitration meeting held in this city the other day, Edward Everett Hale made a most significant and powerful plea for compulsory peace, saying among other things: "Get me the money that will be spent this year in maintaining the present armament of nations, and I will build you a four-track railroad from the Arctic ocean down the spine of the continent to Tierra del Fuego in Patagonia; another four-track railroad from Vienna across Asia to Hon Kong; another four-track railroad across the Dark Continent from ocean to ocean; and another four-track railroad from Cairo to the Cape of Good Hope And I will have money enough left to build them all over again."

It is presumed that the President is greatly gratified that the Cuban senate has this week ratified the so-called "permanent treaty" with the United States, including the requirements made upon the Queen of the Antilles which were at one time thought to be very severe. The time for ratification would have expired January 22. Cuba seems to be making progress. Now let us have peace.

The hearing will be resumed next week on Grosvenor's anti-injunction bill, which provides that there shall be no punishment for conspiracy when two or more persons combine in furtherance of a labor dispute. Not only the Knights of Labor, the Federation of Labor, and other worker associations but the Employers' Associations of Chicago and New York will present their views at length, the latter of course protesting against such law.

To do entire justice to Perry S. Health, Secretary of the Republican National Committee, it is proper to record that he has not shirked, but when his name was called in the court here trying Machen, the Groffs and Lorenzes, for conspiracy to defraud the government, he promptly answered "present." If he has anything to hide concerning his official conduct as First Assistant Postmaster General, he is not seeking to hide it by running away.

The Washington clerks are "dreadful mad" because they are hereafter to be expected to work seven hours a day, but they keep their indignation bottled up inside them with remarkable success. They work 235 days in a year when they take their regular leave of a month, and their "sick leave" of another month, and as they get from \$3 to \$15 a day for the exertion, it is suspected that even if they were to resign in a body their places might be filled by persons who would think it a "real soft snap."

The Democratic newspapers are foolishly vociferous concerning an alleged difference between the President and Senator Hanna. They may save their breath. There is no such difference. The President will be renominated and elected. Hanna is keeping faith with him and is not "laying pipes" for the succession. Hanna has many friends and admirers, but they will not like to see him injure his deserved popularity by trying to stem the strong current of public preference for Mr. Roosevelt. He is not a conspirator.

Britton Hill Coal.

The undersigned is prepared to furnish this excellent coal by the ton, delivered to any part of Emporium, for \$2.75 per ton. Drop a postal in Emporium office, giving time of delivery.

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W. L. DIXON.

SHIPPEN REPUBLICAN PRIMARY ELECTIONS.

The Republicans of Shippen township will meet at the court house, Saturday, Jan. 23d, 1904, between the hours of two and four, to nominate candidates for the several township offices.

OFFICIAL CANDIDATES.

The following Republicans have filed their intentions to be candidates at said Primary and their names will be printed upon the ballot:

Judge of Election:—T. L. Wheaton.
Inspector of Election:—S. Willis Gaskill.

Assessor:—Frank J. Lewis, Henry J. Newton.

Town Clerk:—Ernest Housler, W. J. Leavitt, Leon H. Lewis.

Poor Master:—John W. Lewis.

Auditor:—W. R. Johnson.

Constable:—W. D. Swesey.

School Director:—O. S. Peters, J. E. Rhodes, Marcus Wright, F. K. Zimmerman.

Supervisor:—Richard Bliss, James Granger, W. H. Joloff, Linden Lewis, John F. Lewis, Vernia Lewis, Hiley J. Lewis.

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

DEATH'S DOINGS.

PANTING.

In the last issue of the PRESS we gave a full account of the death of MR. JOHN PANTING, but owing to the fact of the funeral not taking place until after the PRESS had gone to press, we were, of course unable to give an account of the funeral. Services were held at the residence of the deceased on Clear Creek, being conducted by Rev. Robt. McCatlin, pastor of Emporium Presbyterian Church. The popularity of the deceased was attested by the large gathering of neighbors who called to offer their sympathy and pay that last mark of respect due a good citizen and neighbor. The funeral cortege arrived at First M. E. Church, Emporium, about 2:30, where services were conducted by Revs. McCatlin and Metzler.

The large edifice was well filled with relatives and friends of the deceased. The services were very impressive and many were the sad hearts that viewed the remains of the dead in order to allow two brothers, F. W. and R. H. Panting, who were hastening to be at the funeral and take a last look at their brother, the funeral party remained at the church until the Day Express arrived from the west. At the Cemetery, after a prayer by Rev. Robt. McCatlin, the burial service of the Maccabees was read.

Bank Election.

The annual election of officers of First National Bank took place on the 13th of this month. The following officers were elected: President, Geo. A. Walker, Sr.; Vice President, Josiah Howard; Solicitor, B. W. Green; Cashier, T. B. Lloyd; Asst. Cashier, W. S. Walker; Teller, Chas. Crandell; Directors, Geo. A. Walker, Sr., Josiah Howard, B. W. Green, N. Seger, J. E. Smith, W. L. Sykes, J. P. Felt, Jos. Kaye, W. S. Walker.

The First National Bank is one of the most carefully managed financial institutions in this country and is rapidly forging to the front. With all the up-to-date conveniences for the transaction of business, this solid institution enjoys the full confidence of the business world. While the President and directors, all good business men, are very watchful and attentive to the responsible duties devolved upon them, of course the Cashier and clerks are entitled to credit for their attentiveness to business.

Cards of Thanks.

Please convey the heartfelt thanks of myself and family to all of those kind friends who assisted us during the illness and death of our dear husband and father.

MRS. JOHN PANTING.

We wish the PRESS to convey our heartfelt thanks to the kind friends and neighbors who assisted us in our late bereavement, in the death of our beloved wife and mother.

MB. SHERWOOD PIERCE,
MRS. G. W. TRUS.

Please convey my sincere thanks to the many kind friends who assisted me during my late affliction, the death of my dear wife. Especially do I desire to thank Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hout, Mrs. Kragle, St. Marys and Mrs. Inhoff, Tyler, and the Electric Assembly for beautiful flowers.

A. J. SHEPHERD.

School Directors Association.

At COURT HOUSE, EMPORIUM, PA.,

Saturday, Jan. 23, 1904.

PROGRAMME.

10:30 A. M.

Music.

Prayer.

Organization.

What is True Economy in School Affairs?

MR. J. P. MCNARNEY

Where more Money should be Expended,

MR. BERNARD EGAN

Music.

Drawing, MISS MARGARET FLYNN

1:00 P. M.

Music.

What Constitutes a Good Teacher? PROF. E. S. LING

Address to Directors, DR. NATHAN C. SCHAEFFER
Supt. of Public Instruction.

Duty and Influence of School Directors,

MR. L. K. HUNTINGTON

The Home Merchant vs Buying by Mail.

To the Editor Cameron County Press:

Do you remember the "sight unseen" trades or "swaps" of boyhood? One of the parties usually got the worst of it, didn't he? And it was not the one who proposed the deal, was it? There is a lot of "sight unseen" trading done to-day. Only nowadays it is called "Buying by Mail." The pictures in the advertisements of the mail order houses look nice, the talk sounds nice and sometimes the deal turns out all right. But even supposing it does—wherein is the buyer any better off than if he had bought of a home merchant? Take any article you choose from a long list of things sold by mail, and you can buy it just as cheaply and just as well here at home. The expense of selling it by mail is just as great as, if not greater, than the expense of selling it over the counter. Where the home merchants have taxes and clerk hire to pay, the mail order dealer has all these—and rents and taxes are higher in the large cities than here—and in addition he has to pay a small army of bookkeepers, stenographers, shipping clerks, and other employees, besides the immense cost of advertising. Do you know that in many of what are called the mail order advertising mediums, advertisements cost from \$12 to \$35 an inch in a single column? It is true, Where does all the profit come from out of which to pay all this? The local dealer can do business on a smaller margin of profit than the mail order dealer can; he knows the people and their desires and he knows that he has sold and will sell better goods for the money than the other fellow does. Next time you are attracted by an ad., for some mail order "bargain" just take it right to your home merchant and let him have a chance to beat it.

Then, to home merchants should advertise in the local papers and make their advertisements as pleasing as the mail order houses do. Don't be afraid to quote prices in your advertisements, make the price as low as is consistent with good business methods, then advertise the price and stick to it. In advertising always make a specialty of some one thing, make this one thing attractive; aim to have it bring curious buyers, while selling the one thing interest them in other good things. A good description of the articles for sale, together with the price in plain figures is the main secret of the mail order business. Too many home merchants make the mistake of saying, "I don't need to advertise; I have been right here doing business for fifteen years, all the people know me; and know what I sell, and besides, I have no competition enough so that I need not advertise. This is a great mistake, as probably there are people within ten miles of you that have never been attracted to your place of business, simply because you never interested them in the goods you had for sale.

M. E. L.

Medical Men Meet.

(Ridgway Daily Record.)
The annual meeting and usual accompanying banquet of the Elk County Medical Society was held at the New Hyde House on Thursday afternoon. The Elk County Society embraces in its membership nearly all the physicians in both Elk and Cameron counties. The members present at the annual meeting were as follows:

Ridgway—F. G. Earley, A. B. Bevier, W. L. Williams, M. M. Rankin, A. T. Williams, J. G. Flynn, and J. C. McAllister.

Johnstown—H. H. Smith, W. R. Palmer, E. B. Sharp, and E. E. Livingstone.

Wilcox—J. H. Wells.

Glen Hazel—J. W. Warnick.

Instanter—J. E. Rutherford.

St. Marys—A. F. Davis.

Emporium—S. S. Smith and R. P. Heilman.

Driftwood—V. K. Corbett.

Visitors—Dr. B. A. Beal, of Driftwood; Dr. S. M. Free, of DuBois; Dr. E. O. Kane, of Kane; Dr. J. H. K. Duff, Associate Professor of Obstetrics, Medical Department Western University of Pennsylvania, Pittsburg.

The meeting was called to order at 1 p. m. After the opening, the first thing on the programme was the reading of a paper on the subject of Obstetrics and Gynecology, by Prof. J. M. Duff. The paper was very interesting and full of valuable suggestions and information. During the course of his discussion, Prof. Duff made an earnest plea that physicians should teach the public the importance of regular physical examinations even in apparent good health to the end that isidious diseases, such as cancer, consumption and Bright's disease, may be detected in their early stages when favorable results from treatment may be obtained if ever. He also touched on the injury done in some cases by meddlesome visitors, who have more sympathy than sense. He cited an illustrated where a woman visited a patient ill with diphtheria and then went to see a woman who had been confined four days, without even washing her hands. She handled the second patient, who took diphtheria and died in four days. The paper was afterward discussed by Drs. Palmer, Bevier and Heilman.

The society then adjourned to the dining room for their banquet, which began about three o'clock. The banquet was a rather informal affair, in that there were no toasts indulged in, but there was much joviality and pleasant conversation during the excellent meal.

After the banquet the regular annual order of business was taken up, the first matter of importance being the election of officers for the ensuing year. The election resulted as follows:

President—Dr. F. G. Earley.

Vice President—Dr. W. B. Palmer.

Secretary—Dr. A. T. Williams.

Treasurer—Dr. J. C. McAllister.

Censor—Dr. R. P. Heilman, of Emporium.

The following facts were gleaned from the Secretary's report: Six meetings were held during the past year—the full number. Three papers were read during the year by visitors, viz: Dr. English, of Pittsburg; Dr. Kane, of Kane; and Dr. McKennon, of Pittsburg. A paper was also read at one of the meetings by Dr. H. H. Smith, a member of the Society. The total number in the Society at present is 29. The highest number present at any one meeting in the year, 18; average number, 12. The Society gained four new members during the year.

After the meeting a number of the visiting physicians and others made a visit to the Elk County General Hospital, and were much pleased with the building and its appointments. Prof. Duff paid the Elk County Medical Society a high compliment and said it was one of the most active and efficient he had visited in a long time.

Baptist Church.

Morning subject—"Panoramic Purity or a rapid review of the Acts of the Apostles."

In the evening he chooses for his subject—"My typhoid throes with their three hour's transe, or a thrilling chapter of my College Life." His text will be, "Come and hear all ye that fear God and I will declare what he hath done for my soul." Then will follow the story of his conversion upon a sick bed. All comers will be welcomed at all services.

Arm Broken.

Chas. Barton, employed in the Buffalo yard at this place, had the misfortune to fall, last Saturday, breaking his left arm. He is able to be about, nursing his arm in a sling.

WEATHER REPORT.

(Forecast by T. B. Lloyd.)
FRIDAY, Fair and colder.
SATURDAY, Fair and colder.
SUNDAY, Fair.

BRIEF MENTION.

Everybody reads the PRESS.

John Panting carried \$2,000 insurance in the Maccabees.

Ladies are excluded from the Catholic Church choirs of the world.

You might as well wear good clothes when they are so cheap at N. Seger's.

Why not buy an up to date suit or overcoat now. Take advantage of the wonderful inducements offered by N. Seger.

The First National Bank of Connersport, has during the past year paid 21 per cent dividends on its capital stock of \$50,000.

Prof. Budine, the eye specialist, will be in Emporium next Saturday and will be pleased to meet any of his patrons, at R. H. Hirsch's.

Buy your clothes at N. Seger's and you run no risk. He handles nothing but the best and sells at the lowest prices.

Smethport Democrat: Some time ago pure food commissioner A. D. Gould of Eldred, collected samples of blackberry brandy from the various Bradford dealers, and in the lot eight impure samples were found by the state chemist. The dealers who handled the goods will be compelled to pay a fine of \$50 and \$6 costs, in default of payment of the \$56 they will be hauled before the McKean county courts.

Very Serious.

We regret to inform the PRESS readers that the condition of Mrs. Geo. A. Walker is very serious and that her death is very near at hand. Dr. Stockton, of Buffalo, was in consultation with Dr. Bardwell on Tuesday. We regret this sad announcement, but such are the facts.

Big Blow Out.

The Emporium Fire Department, met, as per announcement in last week's PRESS and elected the following officers for 1904: Chief—A. A. McDonald; Asst. Chief—C. W. Shaffer; Sec'y and Treas.—Josiah Howard.

The Department have appointed a committee from the several companies to arrange for a great big Fourth of July blow-out—a regular old-fashioned rip-snorter.

Myron Kepler Dead.

Myron Kepler, aged 25 years, died at the family residence on East Fifth street, this (Thursday) morning. He leaves a wife and one child. Deceased came to Emporium from Renovo a few months ago and worked for the Climax Powder Co. Last December he was taken ill and unable to work. The sad ending we will refrain from mentioning. His remains were taken to Lock Haven this afternoon for burial.

Ground to Pieces.

On Tuesday morning when the section men employed on the P. & E. R. R., between Emporium Junction and Water tank, east of town, were going to work, they were horrified to find the mangled remains of the Italian track walker strewn along the track for a mile. They were gathered up by the workmen and taken to Egan's undertaking rooms and prepared for burial. The unfortunate was a single man aged about 24 years. He had only been in this country since last March.

To the Republican Voters of Emporium Borough.

The primaries for the nominations of candidates for the various Ward offices will be held at the usual voting places on Saturday evening of this week, and the Borough Convention on the following Monday, January 25th, at 7:30 p. m., in Council Chambers.

I urge upon you the necessity of attending these Primaries and of nominating suitable persons to be voted for. These meetings are of vast importance, and he is not a good citizen, who will absent himself from the Primaries, and afterwards criticise the nominations made.

You are to name men to serve as School Directors, to whom is entrusted the future of your schools, and hence the education of your children. Councilmen who should be men of good judgement to conduct the affairs of the Borough, and Election Officers who are to preside at your elections, and conduct them honestly and faithfully.

Hoping that you will give this your attention, and find a few minutes spare time for the welfare of this Borough, I remain

Yours respectfully,

A. C. BLUM,
Chairman Republican County Committee.