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

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)
Washington, Nov. 19th, 1904.
The promptness with which the President punishes wrong doing, in subordination and unprofessional conduct in office, illustrated by the recent dismissal of three judges in Alaska, whose integrity was called in question, a clerk in the Post Office department, and a surgeon in the Army, who being a married man, professed to be single, is only equaled by the hearty indorsement and encouragement he gives to those who have served him and the public well. Those in the employ of the Executive branch of the government know by this time exactly what to expect from President Roosevelt. Witness the two letters from his hand this week called forth by the resignation of Pension Commissioner Ware, and Col. Hecker, one of the engineers of the Panama Canal Commission. The letter to Mr. Ware, in which the President tells him he knows of no other man who has ever conducted the great bureau so economically and with such satisfaction to all concerned, is a stunning rebuke to those who have indulged in carping criticism at the Commissioners expense, owing to some little eccentricities of his personality. It is doubtful if any other public servant ever received such a glowing letter of commendation and friendship from any President.

The forthcoming President's Message is now a matter of consideration at the White House as well as of speculation in the community. Much of it can be easily forecast. It will not be a very long message. The order has been given to the chiefs of bureaus to make their reports short and to the point. Naturally the President will refer with satisfaction to the fact that many of his invitations to the nations to join in a second peace conference at the Hague have been accepted. The progress of the negotiations for arbitration treaties will be mentioned with satisfaction. Other topics which can be justly mentioned with pride are the peaceful relations America sustains with all the nations of the world, the domestic prosperity which has prevailed during the past year; the progress of the preliminary work upon the Panama canal; the peace which prevails in the Philippines and the development of that country; the success of the World's Fair at St. Louis, the last installment of the loan of \$5,600,000 having been recouped into the Treasury; the work accomplished and proposed in matters of irrigation and forestry; the proposed revision of the tariff, the necessity which exists for building a great navy; the need of a change in the laws relating to the inspection of steamboats; the recent army maneuvers at Manassas; regret at the continuance of the war in the East, and a summary reports from various departments.

It is the opinion of politicians in Washington that no extra session of Congress will be called; that the President will not now propose any legislation looking to a decrease of representation in the House on account of the disfranchisement of the negro vote in the South. There are reports to the effect that in due time the President contemplates making a tour of the south.

For Sale Cheap.

One good heating stove; wood burner; nearly new. Enquire at Free Methodist parsonage. 39-2t.

Well Earned Rest.

Wm. A. Sprung, accompanied by his wife and little daughter, left last Monday on a ten-day visit to Buffalo and Corry. After a long and successful career as engineer on N. Y. Central and Pennsylvania R. R., he is placed on the retired list with a clean record. He will continue to reside in Emporium, where the family are respected and have hosts of friends.

Foot Amputated.

James R. Fetter, of this place, several years ago, while working on a railroad bridge let a heavy timber fall on his left foot, injuring it severely. After several operations his foot has continued to cause him great trouble and pain and finally he entered Medico, Chl. Hospital, at Philadelphia, hoping they might succeed in saving his foot. His foot was found in a worse condition than thought, amputation being necessary. Amputation took place last Wednesday, the operation being very satisfactory. He will be able to come home in a short time. Mr. Fetter has suffered for years and it is now hoped his great loss may be compensated by the comfort he is sure to have.

Rush for Tickets.

The Peoples' Star Course board opened at seven o'clock, Tuesday morning at H. S. Lloyd's store. A large number of people lined up in front of the store at an early hour, in fact a number appeared as early as five o'clock. Our friend Wm. Wieman was first to appear and many think he stayed up all night, from the fact that he was seen keeping a bonfire company at three o'clock a. m., his only company being a monster tom-cat, which seemed to enjoy the warmth. William is all right, just the same, but he could not smoke out Harry S. Lloyd.

Seriously, the interest manifest in the rush for seats was ahead of anything ever seen here—over three hundred season seats being sold at this writing, Tuesday.

The December Smart Set.

The feature of the December Smart Set is undoubtedly the novelette, "Clavering and His Daughter," a story of Washington life, by a new author, Foxcroft Davis, whose meteoric entrance into the field of fiction is likely to be the sensation of the season. Totally unknown this writer's first manuscript was not only accepted on sight by one of the most conservative publishing houses in America, but two new books were contracted for to form a series of three, all on the national politics and society entertaining at Washington. Meanwhile The Smart Set has secured the first work to be published under the name of Foxcroft Davis—a story of a remarkable man a remarkable woman in the interesting setting of life at the nation's capital, which no author has yet known so intimately and vitally. The appearance of this story is an event.

It is a supreme test of the rest of the December number that even such a novel as "Clavering and His Daughter" cannot overshadow the merit of the excellent short stories which follow it. Particularly does "The End of the Story," by Emma Wolf, stand out from the mass of midwinter fiction—an unusual story of a unique situation, tragic in its intensity, with a climax whose strength it equaled only by the subtlety which leaves the reader with the book in his hands, living it over again and wondering.

A hint at the subject matter of some of the stories proves their variety—a life mystery in India, a very human comedy among Western cowboys, a manifestation of the subliminal self which decides a naval battle, how three people face an ethical problem in their lives, a strange million-dollar legacy, a fanciful satire on realism and idealism in life-views, a bit of the supernatural in real life, on women and wine, and—just a love story.

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., December 9th and 10th. 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.

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Italian Hold-Up.

Last Friday evening while the Italians employed at the Keystone Powder Company were eating supper several of their fellow countrymen walked into the shanty. After being invited to join in the meal they responded by demanding \$200.00 under the Black Hand threat of death instantly. They searched the men and only secured \$54.50—two of the men being cute enough to drop their checks and money on the floor, it being dark in the room and escaped detection. Of course they recovered the money when the brigands departed.

On the following day, about two o'clock, three Italians held up another Italian, employed at the coke ovens, whilst returning from Emporium and "held him up" for \$6.18, evidently thinking he had his month's pay. Word was sent to Emporium for officers, when Chief of Police Munday and Owen Dinniny rapidly drove to Cameron, passing the Italians on the road meeting a crew of men coming to the assistance of the officers. The officers and men retraced their steps and succeeded in arresting the bad men. After relieving them of their arms and huge knives they were brought to Emporium. At a hearing before Esquire Larrabee one of the Cameron prisoners was identified as belonging to the Keystone robbers. All three are confined in Fort Hemphill, in default of \$500 bail, to await trial. In justice to our resident Italians, we desire to state that they emphatically condemned the actions of their countrymen and aided the prosecution.

Art Exhibit a Success.

The exhibit of pictures at the old Presbyterian church last week was a success artistically, socially and financially. The pictures are certainly fine reproductions and worth a critical study. The amount realized for the purchase of pictures will be announced next week, together with the amount received as subscriptions.

The evening entertainments were exceedingly attractive, thanks to the kindness and patience of the ladies of the entertainment committee. The greatest interest and helpfulness were shown by all who were asked to do committee work, and the teachers are duly grateful. We invite parents and friends to visit the schools at any time, but especially after the pictures are in place. E. S. LING.

Bowling Match.

The bowling match between St. Marys and Emporium teams was pulled off at Creighton's alley last Thursday evening. The Emporium team was defeated last season by St. Marys. The following score was made Thursday evening:

EMPORIUM.			
Brady	162	137	162—461
Clarke	177	115	172—464
Knickerbocker	149	173	153—475
Good	191	175	157—523
	679	600	644 1923
ST. MARYS.			
E. Johnson	148	166	128—442
Geis	138	146	129—413
R. Sweeney	112	150	133—395
Neubert	134	183	167—484
	532	645	557 1734

To-Night—Amphion Quartet.

The Concert by the Amphion Male Quartet Company at the Court House to night will start promptly at 8:15 o'clock. All persons are earnestly requested to be in their seats by that hour. No person will be seated during the giving of a number. The Quartet comes highly endorsed and an enjoyable evening is assured all who attend. While the sale of seats has been large, the accommodations of the house can be increased by the addition of chairs and all who attend may be comfortable.

Hooks Annual Ball.

Rescue Hook and Ladder Company have announced the date for their annual ball and supper, Thursday evening, Dec. 29th. Tickets for dance \$1.00. Chesholm's orchestra, of Austin, Pa., will furnish the music. See bills for particulars.

Serious Fire.

A serious fire occurred at Sinnamahoning last Friday night, destroying the P. O. S. of A., building, occupied as lodge room and store rooms. The loss is a severe one to the noble order. We do not have information as to the insurance.

Found.

F. G. Judd found a store key, a folded steel key. The owner can have the same by calling at this office, proving property and paying for this notice.

The Observer.

The Observer followed with much interest the recent legislative campaign in the county, and he experienced so little inward satisfaction over Mr. Howard's success. The Observer was also pleased to note the cheerful philosophy displayed by the Independent in the hour of defeat and the serene way in which it comes forward, after the shouting is over, with a complete program of what Mr. Howard is to do as Representative from Cameron county. We may now look for the Brooklyn Eagle to map out President Roosevelt's coming administration along the lines of its own campaign editorials. Yet the Observer would not like to discourage the Independent from engaging in the discussion of public affairs. The first element in a free civic and social atmosphere is discussion; the second, discussion; the third, discussion. The conclusions of the Independent will not be accepted by the people nor by Mr. Howard as final; nevertheless its discussions will serve to keep the minds of the people centered upon certain matters which are of proper public concern.

Some little discussion has already been given to the subject of the unseated lands in the county held by the state. It is the contention of the Independent that the state should pay taxes to the county on these lands, and so lighten the burdens of taxation which rest upon the other property owners of the county. Inasmuch as this question has been brought forward, it should be looked into carefully. The Observer does not pretend to say that he is in a position to say all that can be said on this subject; nevertheless he ventures to think that he can offer a few considerations which may at least prove helpful towards a sensible view.

It should not be forgotten that the state was under no obligation to assume the ownership of these lands, nor that in doing so its motive was to confer a benefit upon the people of the state and not least upon the counties in which these lands are located. Had the state not purchased these lands, they would have remained practically ownerless, yielding no revenue to the county, unless, perchance, the commissioners could have made something for the county out of rattlesnake skins and wintergreen berries. The state may with reason argue that the county is better off with a state forestry reserve within its bounds than it would be were these lands to lie absolutely waste and ownerless. The state has merely been doing its part towards making a bad condition a little better. If the county is confronted by an embarrassing situation, the state is not to be blamed for it. It was not the state that rendered these lands undesirable and profitless. It appears to the Observer that it is up to Cameron county to work out its own salvation without asking charity from the state. Surely the county has other resources than lumber; and it should be the united desire and effort of the people of the county to encourage the development of these resources. We should rejoice whenever a piece of waste land is converted into a farm. We should encourage also the establishment of manufacturing industries. It is all very well to keep girding at the corporations, but it will not do to forget that it is the corporations that are the chief agencies in the development of natural resources, bringing money into the county where it is paid out in the form of wages. The hope of the county lies in the development of agriculture and manufactures. If these should fail, it would be useless for the county to hope to keep alive by going on the state. But the county is not yet ready to say die. Mr. Howard for one, and many more with him, believe that the industrial and financial salvation of Cameron county is in a fair way to be wrought out, and they are proving their faith by their deeds.

Assuming that a measure authorizing the county to levy taxes upon state lands would be constitutional, what likelihood is there that the state could be induced to enact such a measure? What argument could be used with the voters of Philadelphia and Allegheny counties, for instance, to convince them that the taxpayers of the whole state should contribute a special revenue to the coffers of Cameron and a few other counties? More over if the state should begin by authorizing the taxation by the counties of unseated timber lands held by the state, on what ground could it refuse a demand from Dauphin county that the state should pay a county tax on the state property located in Harrisburg? In the judgment of the Observ-

er, the proposition to have the state pay taxes to the county on unseated lands is visionary and impossible. To ask for such legislation would be construed as a request that the state should grant a bounty appropriation to Cameron and a few other counties, and we may as well face the conclusion first as last that such an appropriation will not be forthcoming. If the Observer is wrong in his view of the question, he would like to be corrected. Next week the Observer will discuss the socialistic program of the Independent.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.

Entrance of the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railway trains into the City of Pittsburgh.

Effective with the winter time table Sunday, Nov. 27th, all passenger trains of the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Ry., which have been using the Pittsburgh & Western terminals at Allegheny, will arrive at and depart from the Baltimore & Ohio, R. R., station, Corner Smithfield and Water Streets, Pittsburgh, Pa.

This change is made in order to afford better facilities for handling the increasing business; and the superior service which has been maintained on this line will, in the near future, be further improved by the addition of observation dining cars on day trains between Pittsburgh and the north.

Pie.

Let us all give a vote of thanks to Senator Platt for restoring pie to its proper place in the breakfast menu. Pie was fast drifting from its time honored position in dietetics when the sage of Tioga stayed the hand of the despoiler and made pumpkin pie triumphant. A pie ten feet long and weighing two hundred pounds is a triumph of culinary art, but its size was only proportioned to its inherent value, and it serves as a landmark in history.

Pie has not been abandoned entirely in these unregenerate days, but it has been modified and shoved away from its proper place. It is true that there are pie counters where machine-made specimens are devoured daily, but they do not count. The real pie is a work of art and must be made in the home, where it now is cut in small pieces and only served, if at all, at dinner time after a full meal. This is wrong. The time to eat pie is at breakfast. Our ancestors did so, and look at what they accomplished. There are those who claim that it breeds indigestion, but have we any reason to believe that pie injured the heroes of Bunker Hill, King's Mountain or Saratoga? Not at all. The intellectual value of a pie is lost unless it is swallowed immediately after arising.

Look at the statesmen and schoolmasters and inventors who came from New England! Does any one suppose they could have accomplished so much if they had been raised on a different regimen. The truth seems to be that Massachusetts elected a Democratic Governor solely on the pie issue. The Republican candidate was a silk stocking who never ate pie except after dinner, while the horny-handed Douglas sticks to the breakfast dish of his ancestors. Johnson the Swede, who carried Minnesota, is an editor who counts that day lost when he does not have pie for breakfast. We might multiply examples but the truth is already sufficiently apparent.

Of late Senator Platt has been somewhat in eclipse because of the machinations of Odell. By a master stroke of diplomatic strategy he has restored his fortunes and placed himself firmly in the affection of all right-thinking people by having the greatest pie on record served to his retainers. A man who can eat pie for breakfast can do almost anything in the world. Those who cannot are weaklings and not entitled to live. It is the Rubicon of modern existence, and the new fashion seems certain to restore the Nation to the simple life and habits of our ancestors.—Phila. Inquirer.

Wears and Covers Like Gold.

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JAS. A. MORROW, Mgr.

Kind Words.

The Journal congratulates Josiah Howard on his splendid victory in Cameron county but no less heartily the people of the dear little county for selecting that kind of a man to represent them in the State Legislature.—Coudersport Journal.

Miss Hollahan.

We regret that, owing to unfavorable conditions, Miss Hollahan did not have a larger audience last evening. The lady however gave her entire programme and developed a talent for her line of work. Hope she may, at some future date, be better patronized.

Judd L. Minick Marries.

Judd L. Minick, formerly of Sterling Run, this county, was married Nov. 17th, 1904, at Windber, Pa., to Miss Frances L. Schuckman. They will reside at Thomas, West Va. Judd's many Cameron county friends extend their best wishes.

The Turkeys.

The generous donor sent 105 turkeys to Emporium widows for their Thanksgiving dinner, to day. The PRESS, who had charge of the matter, regrets that the line had to be drawn more closely than ever this year. We hope, in behalf of the good-will displayed by the donor, all may receive the compliment in the manner intended. THE PRESS.

Chapter Banquet.

Last Tuesday evening Emporium Chapter Masons enjoyed an extra treat, having a Banquet at Presbyterian church by the ladies. A number of visitors were in attendance from outside of county, the most prominent being Rev. J. H. Fairlie, C. W. Catlin, C. H. Cole and John Wyman, Port Allegany; C. G. Minick, Ridgway and E. C. Davison, Johnsonburg. Turkey and Greece prevented our attending, much to our regret.

BRIEF MENTION.

A good pastry cook can secure a permanent position by applying at New Warner at once.

Probably it will soon be necessary for a woman to take a civil service examination before she can secure a hired girl.—Port Allegany Argus.

To make room for Holiday Goods I will sell all ladies and children's ready-to-wear hats at one half price, for the next thirty days.

H. L. RAYMOND.

Dr. J. T. Rothrock, who resigned June 1st as state forestry commissioner, has bought a mountain farm adjacent to the Mount Alto Sanatorium in Franklin county and proposes to establish thereon a private sanatorium for tuberculosis patients.

Gertrude Roberts and her very clever company of artists under the management of Messrs. Morrow and Arnold, was greeted by a large audience at Kane's Theatre last night. "Little Wildcat," (the romp) was the bill with Miss Roberts in the lead and the performance pleased all.—Renovo News. The company will be here for three nights commencing Thursday Dec. 1st.

Gertrude Roberts, one of the brilliant and successful stars now before the public is announced for appearance at the Emporium Opera House for 3 nights commencing December 1st in a strictly high class repertoire of standard plays. It has been a long time since an actress has stepped so quickly and emphatically with the hearts of the Theatre going public as has Miss Roberts. Endowed with an attractive stage appearance, a thorough training in the fundamental principles of her art and a keen perception of the requirements of the roll she is called upon to enact, she gives a performance of finish and power. Managers Morrow & Arnold has surrounded Miss Roberts with a strong and well balanced supporting company, so there is every reason to suppose that the performance as a whole will be most enjoyable ones.