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WASHINGTON LETTER. (From our Regular Correspondent.) Washington, Dec. 20th, 1904.

Again the dreadful cotton boll weevil invades the hall of Congress. It is now asserted that in five years it has eaten up \$80,000,000 worth of cotton; that it now requires more land to produce a bale; that it has destroyed the credit of the small farmer; that it is driving the Negro laborer from the cotton districts; and that in Texas for the past five years the crop has decreased annually.

The chief interest in Washington the past week has been the work of Congress, what it will do and what it cannot do for the want of time. A committee of Republican Senators has held a meeting and decided that general legislation for this session of Congress must be confined to the Statehood and Philippine bills.

If Congress approves of the President's recommendation for a Federal inspection service of all railway rolling stock, to ascertain if it is provided with the best kind of brakes, and if they are in working order, it is pointed out that the inspectors will have to examine 1,500,000 freight cars, 30,000 passenger cars and 43,000 engines.

Next week, when Secretary Taft returns from Panama, he will, at the request of the President, take up the case of the widows and dependents of soldiers in Philadelphia, who for many years have been making soldiers' uniforms, but are now deprived of the work by contractors.

is in favor of the contractors, but the President would gladly give the work to the poor women if the statutes allow him to do so. The contractors bid to make the kersey trousers worn by soldiers for thirty seven and one-half cents a pair. The women used to get 75 cents for the same work.

The Delineator for January. With a most attractive cover and a varied list of contents, including the latest news of the fashions and literary and domestic features of the greatest interest. The Delineator for January is an altogether excellent number.

The January Smart Set. The contents page of the January Smart Set is the first indication of the excellence which is to mark the magazine for 1905. With George Barr McCutcheon, Frances Aymar Mathews, William R. Lighton, Emery Pottle, Rupert Hughes, Edward Boltwood and Hebert D. Ward standing out from among twenty-seven other names, the January number promises well for the coming year.

George Barr McCutcheon, whose "Graumark" swept him into prominence on the wave of popular favor, has written a long short story for the January Smart Set. In "The Laurel Wreath" Gustav Kobbe contributes a story which will be instant in its appeal.

Myra Kelly's Own Experiences. Myra Kelly, whose stories which appeared in McClure's Magazine during the last year, have been made into a book bearing the title "Little Citizens," drew upon her own actual experiences for the material of her amusing tales.

No More Suffering. If you are troubled with indigestion get a bottle of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure and see how quickly it will cure you. Geo. A. Thompson, of Spencer, Ia., says: "Have had Dyspepsia for twenty years. My case was almost hopeless."

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School Report, 3rd Month. Table with 2 columns: Same month last year. Rows include: Total enrollment to date, Number in attendance, Average attendance, Percentage of attendance, Number present every day, Number tardy, Number sick, Number of visitors.

In all except a few cases the attendance has been all that could be asked. To the few we would say, do not deprive the boys and girls of the only chance they will ever have to get ready for life's work, but rather see to it that they take advantage of it.

HONOR ROLL. High School, Seniors—Myrtle Lloyd, Edward Hughes, Edith Heilman, Lena Bair, Max Balcon, Margaret Cummings, Winnie Shearer, Daniel Welsh, Juniors—Elizabeth Lechner, Julia Hogan, Annie Welsh, Ida Hertig, Edna Palmer, Sophomores—Mary Welsh, Edda Horning, Jane Glenn, William Schweikart, Kathryn Hogan, Ethel Fisher, Marion Rentz, Catherine Orr, Bessie McQuay, Lee Felt, Agnes Blumle, Freshman—Idah Seger, Mary Farrell, Mary Blumle, Marguerite Metzger.

Senior Grammar, A Class—Mildred McQuay, Annie Edwards, Marian Judd, Ethel Lloyd, Clara Edwards, Katie Kraft, Henry Hout, Kate Metzger, Charles Farrell, B Class—Hilda Hertig, Elsie Morrison, Mollie Spence, Leo Nangle, Rachel Day, Clyde Fisher, Myrtle Dinianny. Junior Grammar, A Class—Mabel Morrison, May Mulcahey, Nellie Tubridy, Warner Judd, Martha Burns, Louisa Welsh, Charles Cloyes, B Class—Mildred Haupt, Mary Orr, Helen Cook.

Church Notes. The finest city and village Churches are painted with the Longman & Martincz Paints, and we want every Church to accept our donation whenever they paint.

Death of Jerome Goodrich. The remains of Jerome Goodrich were brought to Coudersport for burial in Eulalia cemetery yesterday, accompanied by a number of relatives and friends of this place and Smethport.

Nervousness. The most deceptive cause for nervousness is when the kidneys are affected. When the kidneys are congested for diseased it affects the great nerves connecting them with the stomach and the heart.

Fortune does not smile—she gives grudgingly even to the greed.

SALOON AND ANTI-SALOON LINES DRAWN.

Liquor Dealers will maintain Lobby Here. They Send Out Letters Urging "Quiet" Work to Defeat the Proposed Bill.

The Pennsylvania Anti-Saloon League is making a systematic campaign for the passage of a general local option law for this State by the next Legislature. Personal letters were sent to-day to every Senator and Representative from the League headquarters in the Real Estate building calling attention to the movement for general local option.

The letter states that the proposed law would take the liquor question out of the hands of the Legislature and now largely out of the hands of the court and put it directly within the jurisdiction of the people of each community who are most harmed or benefited by the traffic, and that it would also put the saloon at the mercy of the people.

Saloon Keepers Wide Awake. "You are urged to begin at once every effort you can command to secure the sympathy and co-operation of the legislators from your portion of the State in opposition to this movement. Lay the facts before them as clearly and as influentially as possible and enlist them in the cause of sound morality, good government and the prosperity of the State.

Costs Less to paint your house with Lucas Paints. (Tinted Gloss) than with other paints. They're better, too. Made of pure materials, spread better, go farther, look hand-somer, last longer.

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Good sleighing and lumbermen are busy hauling logs. The schools will close for the holiday vacation on Friday. Pap Blodget is laid up with a severe attack of rheumatism. The harvesting of ice has commenced; the ice crop is first-class.

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and bear your SUFFERING, if you prefer, but you will find life pleasanter, if you will cure the pains with that great, modern pain remedy, HAMLINS WIZARD OIL.

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There is no other relief and cure known to medical science for the pains of rheumatism, neuralgia, indigestion, earache, headache, toothache, and for injuries such as bruises, sprains, cuts and burns, etc., so certain and safe in results as Hamlin's Wizard Oil. Price 50 cents and \$1.00. Fully guaranteed.

For sale and recommended by L. TAGGART. A Pleasant Pill. No pill is as pleasant and positive as DeWitt's Little Early Risers. DeWitt's Little Early Risers are so mild and effective that children, delicate ladies and weak people enjoy their cleansing effect, while strong people say they are the best liver pills sold.

Heals Everything. It beats anything in the healing line we ever used. My little girl had been troubled with dark purple sores on her legs for two months. Everything failed to help her until we tried San-Cura Ointment, which made a complete cure in a few applications.

Sho Struck Luck. About six years ago I sent to the store for some medicine and they sent me some Thompson's Barosma or Kidney and Liver Cure. The first bottle did me so much good that I bought the second and it cured me of female weakness, with which I had been troubled over two years.

A Costly Mistake. Blunders are sometimes very expensive. Occasionally life itself is the price of a mistake, but you'll never be wrong if you take Dr. King's New Life Pills for Dyspepsia, Dizziness, Headache, Liver or Bowel troubles. They are gentle yet thorough. 25c. at L. Taggart's Drug Store.

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