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## WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)  
Washington, July 8th, 1905.

**Editor Press:**  
The President has offered the important post of Secretary of State to Elihu Root and Mr. Root has accepted. This brief announcement from Oyster Bay will prove an occasion of gratification to the American people who may rest assured that with the international relations of the United States in the hands of so able a man as Elihu Root they will be well safeguarded. The feeling seems to be unanimous among public men and many men in private life who keep in touch with public affairs that the President and the nation are to be congratulated on the wisdom of the President's selection and on the acceptance of a place at the cabinet table by Elihu Root. The splendid work which Mr. Root performed as Secretary of War is regarded as a certain guarantee of his success as Secretary of State. The masterly manner in which he conducted the affairs relating to the Philippines insurrection, his broad statesmanship, as demonstrated in his conduct of the relations of the United States with Cuba, and his remarkable foresight and constructive ability as displayed in his reorganization of the army and the militia of the nation have all served to demonstrate his remarkable ability and to convince the people, as they have President, of Mr. Root's prominent ability to conduct with credit and eclat the affairs of any department of the government entrusted to him.

Since leaving the cabinet, eighteen months ago, Mr. Root has been entrusted with numerous legal cases of great importance and it will require at least two weeks for him to sever his connection with his various clients. At the end of that time he will come to Washington and take the oath of office but it is probable that not until autumn will he come back to Washington as a permanent resident. The belief is generally expressed that when Mr. Root does take hold of the affairs of the Department of State he will institute a new regime, that many of the fossils who now cumber the offices of one of the most important departments of the government will be compelled either to reform their methods and to make some attempts to render a fair return for the compensation they receive or to hand in their resignations. As Secretary of War Mr. Root proved a cold, but a just employer. He was quick to recognize merit where merit existed, but was invariably intolerant of slack methods of doing business and gave short shift to the men who were disposed to regard government employment as a political "snap" carrying with it the privilege of drawing salary without doing much, if any work. As Mr. Root's reputation in this regard has travelled before him there is some consternation among the barnacles of the Department of State.

**Stenography and Type Writing.**  
Will teach shorthand and type writing at my home on Fourth street, during the summer months. Graham's Standard method of shorthand taught and the Underwood Standard typewriter used.

I am a graduate of one of the best shorthand schools in Pittsburg and have had five years experience, three years in legal work and two in commercial. Students desiring to take up this study can do just as well for the first two or three months at home, as going away and with much less expense.

MRS. FRED SEGER.

### 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., July 15th. 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.

**WANTED:**—Experienced flour man to sell Minnesota flour direct to stores and bakers. Exclusive territory given. Applicant must write good plain hand and furnish bond. Address, "Milling," P. O. Box 763, Binghamton, N. Y.

### For Sale.

One light bay horse, weight 1050, age seven years; price \$150. For particulars call at Press office.



## Eight Victims of the Dynamite Explosion.

We regret that we cannot present cuts of Max Halderman and Harry George on account of poor photos.

### Children's Aid Society of Western Pennsylvania—Objects and Methods.

The object of the Children's Aid Society is to provide for the welfare of destitute and neglected children by such means as shall be best for them and for the community. Our method of accomplishing this object is:

1. By placing such children in carefully selected private families, mostly in the country, paying a moderate rate of board where necessary, and following up each case with such inquiry and supervision as may secure to the child the conditions of physical and moral well-being.
2. By utilizing existing institutions for children as temporary homes, while permanent family places are being sought.
3. By putting, as far as possible, the support of a child upon its relatives or parents, legitimate or otherwise, and by preventing the needless separation of mothers and children.
4. The law forbidding the detention of children in almshouses can best be carried out by the co-operation of the Directors of the Poor, with voluntary associations of discreet and benevolent women, who are willing to find places for the children, look after their welfare, and report to the Directors. It is for the interest of the tax payers that these children be taken out of the pauper class as soon as possible and absorbed in the community.
5. In a county where such an association exists, and where the Directors make fair allowance for the support of the children, there is no excuse for detaining any child in the headquarters for paupers and no need of creating an institution for pauper children.

LEZZIE J. HINKLE, Pres.

### Elks at Buffalo.

Buffalo is entertaining the Elks this week, ten thousand arriving the first day. Five trains passed through Emporium on Sunday, all loaded, for Buffalo. Yesterday was the big day and it is said to equal the Pan-Am., for electric display.

### Removed from Cameron.

E. V. Dunlevie discontinued his business at Cameron on Tuesday, having moved his offices to Travelers Rest, West Va., where he has extensive lumber operations. He will be greatly missed at Cameron, where he has given employment to a large number of men. He is a hustler and the Press wishes him additional prosperity in the south.

### Con. Creighton Dead.

Connie Creighton, son of the late Thomas Creighton, died at Cook House, Tuesday night. He was his own worst enemy.

### Five County Convention.

The tenth annual convention of the Five County Volunteer Firemen's Association will be held at Coudersport, Aug. 16 and 17th.

### June Weather.

The average daily temperature for June was 67, same as June last year. The rainfall was 4.33 inches, about normal, but 1/2 inch less than for same month last year. T. B. L.

### Official Visitation.

Hon. Cadwallader Biddle, Dr. McCloud and Dr. Mitchell, members of Pennsylvania State Board of Public Charities visited Cameron county jail on Tuesday. They complimented the Sheriff on the efficient manner he conducted his office but condemned the sanitary condition of the jail sewers.

### Pleasant Visit.

Mr. E. E. Dodson, director of agents of Pittsburg Life and Trust Co., was a Press visitor on Saturday, accompanied by Prof. W. J. Leavitt, who has resigned his position in C. B. Howard & Co's store to take charge of the insurance business in this section. Will should make a hustling good solicitor. We enjoyed Mr. Dodson's visit and found him a very pleasant gentleman.

### Electrical Storm.

Emporium was visited by a terrible electrical storm last Friday afternoon, accompanied by a heavy rain. A tenement house, owned by Mrs. Mary E. Mayze and occupied by Sylvester Donough and Fred Robinson, was seriously damaged by lightning. Fire started in the midst of the storm and prompt assistance saved the building from destruction. No insurance. It is a miracle that the inmates escaped injury or death.

### Killed at Gardeau.

Geo. S. Alden, aged 30, was killed at Gardeau last Sunday night. While alighting from a freight train he stepped in front of another train, when he was struck by engine. He died within a few minutes. His remains were brought to Emporium on the freight but had to be taken back to Gardeau at once for Coroner's inquest. Deceased leaves a wife and six children to mourn his death.

### Pleasant Surprise.

On Monday night the good people of the First Baptist Church, organized and very successfully executed a surprise at the parsonage of their pastor on Fourth street. The occasion was that of the birthday of Mrs. Twichell, who has always found great favor with the whole flock. All gathered at the home of Mrs. Pepperman on the same street. The clock striking eight was the signal for starting. The march continued till the broad, beautiful lawn was reached, when they pressed in to pass Mrs. Twichell with their baskets, their boxes, their cream and their cheer to take possession of the parsonage. A happy evening was spent, interspersed here and there with music, singing and banqueting. Just before mid-night, with their "Many happy returns" to the pleased pastor and his winning wife, all filed out again, feeling that all present had struck another sweet note in the perfect harmony of the present pastorate. An investigation proved that the pantry was too small to hold the great variety, ranging from the most dainty delicacies to the most servicable supply. It was also found that a delicately decorated china dish had been left to merge into a mint. Its contents was found to be a combination of rustling sounds and clatter of coin. This is a time of prosperity in the parish. x

### Attempted Suicide.

About four weeks ago Theodore Gillson who had been confined in Warren Insane Asylum, being a victim of morphine habit, escaped from that institution, coming on foot to Thos Norton's farm, near Emporium. He worked on the farm for Mr. Norton until last Sunday when he visited Emporium. A Press representative noticed the unfortunate, his actions exciting our suspicions. He stopped at one of our hotels over night, but the following day, Monday he managed to get hold of some Chloride of Mercury and took an overdose. He was found in an alley near Norris' liver stables by some boys, who called attention to his condition. Finally he was carried to the Hook and Ladder Co., rooms and Dr. Falk called, who pronounced it a case of poisoning. The doctor worked over him for some time and succeeded in relieving him sufficiently to learn his name and home. Poor master J. W. Kriner wired to his brother, who resides at Corry and received reply that he would be here on Tuesday. While conversing with the poor unfortunate fellow he told us that he thought he was cured sufficiently to leave the asylum, when he departed, but after coming to Emporium and again getting filled up with the drug he determined to end it all and took the poisonous drug, two tablets; that he had seven tablets and thinks he must have taken all of them—an overdose. At this writing, (Tuesday) it is hard to tell what the result will be, the unfortunate fellow suffering great pain. He has for years been a morphine fiend.

### Big Doings at Erie.

Next week will be a red letter week in the history of Erie and those of our readers who contemplate visiting that beautiful city should do so at this time. The Odd Fellows have charge of the monster celebration.

### Ice House Visited.

For some time Mrs. M. A. Rockwell's ice house has been nightly visited and from one to three large cakes stolen. The party is known and if they repeat the visits there will be arrests. Otherwise the matter will be dropped.

### The Observer.

We frequently these days encounter the phrase "civic decadence," but the very fact that we use that and similar phrases is in reality a reason for hope and encouragement. So long as people are thoroughly in slavery to an evil, they are not troubled by it and do not raise alarming cries about it nor call it hard names. When a community is really so corrupt that it is contented in its corruption, the outlook is not encouraging. When it is corrupt and knows it and writhes under this knowledge the outlook for its redemption is more encouraging.

The lack of civic virtue is manifest in two classes: First there are the corrupt politicians who see in public office an opportunity for private graft and who, like the late chief of Tammany Hall, are working for their own pockets all the time. The other class comprises the great body of citizens who are so absorbed in private business that they have no serious concern for public affairs. A few years ago some wealthy business men in one of the large cities openly took the position that they could better afford to be plundered by corrupt public servants than to sacrifice additional opportunities for money making by devoting part of their time to the interests of good politics. It would be hard to say which of these two classes is the more lacking in civic virtue. The trouble with each is that it is individualistic and selfish. The representative of each looks upon the interests of the body politic as something different from and external to his own individual interest. We can readily understand how such a feeling and view should exist under a despotic government. A typical despot regards his power and authority as his own individual possession to be used by him for his own personal advantage. The subjects of such a despot, accustomed only to submit and obey, know nothing of a power and responsibility inherent in themselves. Why is it that the free born sons of our American democracy fall so readily into a habit of mind and spirit that belongs rather to such countries as Russia and Turkey?

An endeavor to assign a philosophical reason for this condition has been made by Mr. Wilson L. Gill, of the Franklin Institute, Philadelphia. According to his view, the robust civic virtue which marked the early decades of national history was begotten and nourished in the home life of our people. There was then a general independence of spirit, "a wholesome fearlessness for his own personal advantage of anything that was fundamentally unjust, a moral stamina and courage that made men dare all for the defence of the principles of justice, equity and the essential rights of man." He noticed also "the general recognition on the part of the individual that the nation had certain claims upon him; that there were duties incumbent upon all true friends of republican institutions that could not rightly be ignored or shifted to others' shoulders."

Since then, owing to great industrial changes, the home as an institute of independence and civic virtue, has ceased to exist for a large proportion of our population. It was hoped that the demands of the new conditions might be met through the development of a system of public education. Popular education, however, has failed in a number of vital particulars. For one thing, and it is with this that we are chiefly concerned, the management of the school has been based wholly upon a monarchical as opposed to a democratic system and spirit. However wise and equitable the discipline may be in the school room, the fact remains that so far as the pupils are concerned the teacher is an autocrat pure and simple. The pupils learn nothing in self-government; their whole duty in relation to the government of the school is simply to yield unquestioning obedience to the external authority of the teacher. Such a training is admirably adapted to the future subjects of a monarchy; but it is adapted to the future citizens of a republic? The pupils are trained to be ruled, not to bear a part in ruling; they are trained to be subjects, not to be members of a sovereign democracy; they are trained to implicit and irresponsible submission, not to a share in the burden of authority and responsibility. What then more natural than that pupils so trained should go to swell the ranks of those who look upon public administration as a matter wholly external to and beyond themselves, and who submit passively, as by inbred instinct, to any form of corrupt public service?

### Bodies Blown to Fragments.

Eight men were blown to pieces and two others were injured by a premature explosion of a big blast of rock powder on the Pennsylvania railroad improvements near New Cumberland, last Sunday morning. The accident occurred directly across the river from the scene of the Pennsylvania railroad wreck, near Harrisburg, on May 11, in which 23 persons were killed and many others injured.

All the victims were employees of H. S. Kerburgh & Company, incorporated contractors, who are building the double tracks for the Pennsylvania railroad. The dead are: Jas. Wiseman, aged 50 years, dynamite boss, Buffalo, N. Y.; Arthur Green, colored, Harrisburg; Robt. Thompson, colored, Harrisburg; Frank Mullah, a Slav; three Italians and one Slav unknown.

**GIRL WANTED:**—Good girl for general housework. Good wages to right party. Inquire at this office.

**WANTED:**—Agents and correspondents in every town and village to represent, well-known publication. Address R. B. M., Box 36, Harrisburg, Pa.

### WEATHER REPORT.

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

### DEATH'S DOINGS.

#### SWARTWOOD.

MRS. ELLA BAIRD-SWARTWOOD, aged 47 years, who has made her home with her daughter, Mrs. H. J. Bullock, at Canandaigua, N. Y., for some time, came here lately to visit relatives, was taken ill at the house of her brother, S. D. Housler, Rich Valley, died Tuesday night. Deceased who has been in poor health for several years, was a daughter of the late Aden Housler and resided here most all of her life. She leaves a daughter and two grand-children, (Mrs. H. J. Bullock, Canandaigua, N. Y.,) two sisters, (Mrs. Lilgman Chadwick and Mrs. W. H. Cramer) and two brothers, George Elliott, and S. D. Housler. Her daughter and other members of the family were with her when she passed over the river. Deceased was a member of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Emporium. Her funeral will take place on Friday afternoon, at 2:30 at Rich Valley Church, Rev. Mr. Metzler, assisted by Rev. Mr. Dow, to have charge of the services. M. E. Choir of Emporium will furnish the singing.

#### FLEMING.

Mrs. Ann Fleming died Monday, July 3rd of dropsy of the heart, at the residence of her son at Lock Haven, aged 77 years. Mrs. Fleming is survived by one son, Mr. John Fleming of the above place and four daughters, Mrs. Dora Gagan, of Olympia, Washington; Mrs. M. J. Collins of Huntley; Mrs. Clara Jordan of Emporium and Mrs. Elizabeth Logue of Superior, Wisconsin. The remains were interred in the Lock Haven cemetery.

Her maiden name was Dorey and was the last survivor of a family of eleven children. She was a member of the Disciple church at Lock Haven for nearly forty years and a great Bible student, her Bible being her chief source of pleasure for many years. She spent the last twelve winters of her life with her daughter, Mrs. J. K. Jordan, in Emporium and made many friends here.

#### Dr. Lamb Wins Case.

At a special term of Court held last week the case of D. H. Lamb, a Galeton pharmacist, vs Pike Township was brought to recover damages for an accident to Mr. Lamb which occasioned the loss of his right arm. About two years ago a party composed of Galeton people set out for a day's outing and driving toward West Pike, their wagon which was drawn by four horses, was damaged by coming in contact with an exposed gas pipe, causing the horses to run away and Mr. Lamb, in leaving the wagon, unfortunately caught his arm in one of the wheels, fracturing it so badly that amputation was necessary, and from which injury he suffered considerably up to the present time, his health being much impaired through the result of the accident. There were many witnesses sworn and testified for both sides, producing strong testimony. The case was brought to a close Wednesday and decided in favor of Mr. Lamb, who receives \$5,000 from the township of Pike.—Austin Auto-graph. The Dr's many Cameron county friends congratulate him, yet feel that \$5,000 is a small compensation for the loss of an arm. He sued for \$25,000, we are informed.

#### Death of Mrs. Elizabeth Benson.

The angel of death visited the home of Mr. Bert Benson, of Cameron, Pa., summoning the beloved wife Mrs. Elizabeth Benson to the Great Beyond. Mrs. Benson was taken suddenly ill July 3rd and despite the utmost efforts of Dr. DeLong, of Emporium and Dr. Rutherford, of Clermont, she passed away July 4th, in confinement. Mrs. Benson was 39 years of age and is survived by her husband, two children, her mother, six brothers and two sisters. The funeral was conducted by funeral director George J. LaBar, of Emporium. The remains were taken to her mother's home at Rassala, Pa., for interment in the Catholic Cemetery, The Rev. Father Heiber having charge of the funeral services. The floral offerings were many and beautiful. Mrs. Benson was one of our most popular and esteemed ladies. A loving wife and mother, a good neighbor and a true and faithful friend, she will be mourned and missed greatly by all who knew her. The entire community extends heartfelt sympathy to Mr. Benson and family in their great bereavement.

A wife and mother dear have gone;  
A voice forever still;  
The chair is vacant in our home,  
Which never can be filled;  
God in His wisdom has removed her,  
From this world of care;  
And took her to his home so pure,  
To dwell forever there.

J. F. S.

#### Wanted.

A home for a little girl six years old; with light hair and blue eyes.  
Childrens Aid Society,  
Mrs. J. J. HINKLE, President.

Many Emporiumites took in the Elks convention at Buffalo yesterday.

Mrs. M. A. Rockwell broke ground today for her new business block, corner Fourth and Cherry streets.

Be sure of a man's ability as a scrapper before asking him to apologize.

