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WASHINGTON LETTER.

THE CZAR MAY BE TURNED DOWN FOR SPEAKER.

With the Republican Control of the House Almost Lost the Chances Are Mighty Slim.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—Mr. McKinley has been getting some very bad advice concerning the recent race trouble in North and South Carolina, but he has been wise enough not to accept it, or at least, not to try to carry it out. These unwise advisers have been trying to get Mr. McKinley to order Federal troops into both of those states, although no request for troops has been received from the Governor of either. He has been told that the same section of the U. S. Revised Statutes under which President Cleveland sent Federal Troops into Illinois, during the railroad riots, gave him the authority to do so regardless of the regularly constituted authorities of the states. He has done nothing further than to censure the semi-official statement that if any Federal official in either state was interfered with, a force of Deputy U. S. Marshals would be used to protect them, and in case of their inability to do so, that they would be reinforced by Federal troops. Some of the men ordered out of both states, among them a white postmaster, from S. C., are in Washington, trying to pose as martyrs, and to persuade Mr. McKinley to get mixed up in their quarrel; but every one of them would gladly compromise by accepting an appointment in Washington.

There may be Democrats who are downcast over the result of the election, but if so, they haven't been seen. All those who are talking on the subject express the opinion that the party made a splendid showing, under the circumstances, and that reducing the Republican majority in the House almost to the vanishing point, puts the Democrats in a better position to make a winning fight in 1900 than they would have had they captured the next House. With both branches of Congress in their hands, the Republicans will be certain to make lots of good Democratic campaign material in the next two years.

The outcome of the efforts of Boss Hanna and other McKinley boomers to jolly "Teddy" Roosevelt into supporting the claims of Mr. McKinley for renomination in 1900, by promising him that they will support him in 1904, will be watched for with interest. Before Roosevelt was ever thought of as a Rough Rider or as Governor of New York, Mr. McKinley secured Platt's promise of support in 1900; but as Roosevelt only put on the Platt collar after he had practically made his nomination for Governor a certainty, in order to get Platt's machine to help elect him, he may, through his power as governor, be able to prevent Platt controlling the state delegation to the next National Convention, thus making it impossible for Platt to deliver the promised votes to Mr. McKinley, without his consent. What Roosevelt will do, will depend, in the opinion of those who know his disposition thoroughly, upon what he thinks will best promote his own political interests and upon what he thinks he can accomplish. If he gets the idea that he can secure the nomination himself, the jolly of the friends of Mr. McKinley will have no effect upon him, whatever. It is whispered that Hanna intends to tempt "Teddy" by offering to throw Hobart overboard and make the ticket McKinley and Roosevelt.

Administration Republicans have already begun to put out feelers to ascertain what chance there will be of getting an administration man elected Speaker of the next House, instead of Czar Reed. They are afraid of Reed, who is known to hold anti-administration views on the expansion question, and believed to hold them upon others, but they are also afraid to show their hand unless certain that enough votes to control the Republican caucus can be secured. Every Republican elected to the next House is to be carefully sounded to ascertain whether he would, if the administration desired it, vote against nominating Reed for Speaker. In putting out those feelers, the name of Representative Henderson, of Iowa, is suggested as a possible administration candidate for Speaker, but care is taken to leave the impression that no particular candidate would be insisted on; they only wish to ascertain whether it is possible to defeat Reed.

Should Senator Burrows fail to develop strength enough among the Republicans of the Michigan legislature to get renominated, and his failure is expected, Secretary Alger, with the combined backing of Gov. Pingree and Mr. McKinley, will it is understood, make a rush for the Senatorship. It is announced that the administra-

tion has sent an ultimatum to Spain, demanding immediate action upon the demand of this government for the Philippines. Just why that announcement should be made now, is a little bit puzzling, but perhaps those who made it know what they are doing, and why they are doing it. According to those who know, the Republican rejoicing over the alleged defeat of silver in the Congressional campaign is premature. It is predicted that many Republicans elected from Western districts will vote for silver, if it is made necessary for them to vote either for or against it, because the sentiment of their states, regardless of politics, is for silver.

Can it be True.

An exchange whose editor has been married four times and has a house full of grown up daughters says: "There are women who are comely, there are women who are homely, there are women who are painted, there are women who are healthy, there are women who are healthy, there are women who will have their own way. There are women who are truthful, there are women who are youthful,—were there ever any women who are old? There are women who are sainted, there are women who are painted, there are women who are worth their weight in gold. There are women who are tender, there are women who are slender, there are women who are large, fat and red. There are women who have married, there are women who have tarried, there are women who are talkless—but they are dead."

Better off in Heaven.

When a girl of 16 is seen upon the streets she has a cute way of tossing her head as though she owned the earth and was going to the middle of the next block to get it. After she is 18 the world she owns is about as far away as the world's fair was to the most of us, and at 20 she gives up all hope of ever getting it all. By the time she is 25 she has a faint, vague suspicion that there is a great deal of insincerity in the world, and the thing for her to do is to get a position and something useful. After a while she gets married to a man who isn't at all the sort of a man she dreamed of. Then she concludes she will be better off in Heaven.

Don't Abuse the Road.

Too much material put on the roads at one time is an injury and needless expense. No matter how much is put on at once, it don't keep them good without constant supervision. Better a little well done and often. There is no sense in compelling teams to travel over stone heaps, no matter how fine they are. No matter about the cost, unpacked, a stone heap is a stone heap and whoever is accountable for it should be prosecuted for cruelty to animals for compelling people to drive over them.

Majorities—Congress and Senator.

Congress.—Hall.	Arnold.
Elk, 1970	
Clarion, 1050	
Centre, 928	
Clearfield, —	100
Forest, —	350
—	450
Hall's majority, 3498.	
Senator.—Heine.	Osburn.
Clinton, 122	
Centre, 843	
Clearfield, —	530
—	530
965	
Heine's majority, 435.	

Cannot Keep it Out.

No door is thick enough to keep out the newspaper and its advertising; no chamber is so remote or too quiet for the favorite family paper; no surveillance is so strict but the newspaper is admitted; and it brings its message of wars and rumors of wars, of elections, accidents, marriages, births and deaths—and advertisements.—Lynn (Mass.) Item.

Turned Against Cats.

A Houtzdale girl, who is very fond of kittens, etc., captured as she supposed, "a very lovely cat" on last Sabbath evening, which turned out to be a black one with white stripes down its back. The girl is not yet in a presentable condition for company, but she's awfully turned against cats.

Saw Every President.

Mrs. Ellen Bolden, colored, aged 104 years, died in Williamsport on Monday of senility. She formerly lived in Washington, and prided herself on having seen every President of the United States since Washington's time.

Married.

On the 12th of Nov., at the home of the bride, Spring Mills, Mr. R. A. Coldren and Miss Ellie A. Blausser were united in marriage by Rev. J. M. Resrick.

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LOCAL MELANGE.

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Sudden Death.

On Saturday a week ago, John Miller and wife, of Rock Spring, drove to Tyrone on business, and while in the home of her brother James Watt, Mrs. Miller, although in fine health, suddenly became ill of paralysis and died on Tuesday following. She was in her 53 year. She leaves a husband and six children to mourn the loss of a good wife and mother. Mrs. Carrie Wieland, of Linden Hall is a daughter. The husband is a son of George Miller, dec'd, years ago landlord at Aaronsburg and Old Fort.

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses were issued during the past week: James C. Walters and Virgie S. White, of Spring twp. R. A. Coldren and Ellen A. Blosser, of Spring Mills. Forest S. Ocker, of Centre Hall, and Orpha C. Bierly, of Rebersburg. C. W. Crain, of Port Matilda, and Gertrude M. Melcher, of same place. Martin L. Royer, of Penn Hall, and Lillie Richardson, of Spring Mills. David Y. Hoy, of State College, and Annie Sheets, of Rebersburg. Samuel M. Motz, and Effie M. Eberhart, of Woodward. Ward W. Kunes, of Blanchard, and Edith M. Lindsey, of Beech Creek.

Has Re-enlisted.

George Dellett, who served three years in the 17th U. S. Infantry, and fought through the Santiago campaign, has re-enlisted in his old regiment. He has gone to Columbus, O., where the regiment is stationed, and is far more contented in the regular army life than that of a civilian. George is just about twenty-one, and his discharge papers gave him a most excellent record.

Started the Plant.

The new creamery at the station erected by Mr. Wilson, of Howard, was started about a week ago and has been running successfully since. Mr. Wilson, the proprietor, has had great experience in the creamery business and the new industry can be rated as one of our most substantial firms. The wagon routes for collection of cream have been established and regular trips are being made.

Improvements.

The Star Store merchant, George Benner, has his new house under roof and will soon have it ready for occupancy. Clem Luse's new dwelling, out near the depot is nearing completion. It will be built of brick and is modern in design. Clem will have a handsome home.

Dr. Hosterman's new dwelling opposite the Presbyterian church, will be the handsomest in the valley. It is to be built of our mountain brownstone, of modern architecture and improvements. The foundation is nearly ready.

The plasterers and carpenters are still busy on the new grange hall, and in a few weeks time the large structure will be completed.

Aged Citizen Dead.

Tuesday morning Charles Gobbie, an aged citizen of Hecla Park, died at his home at that place of infirmities due to old age. He was 75 years old. The funeral was held this morning from his late residence. Interment at Zion.

Meets in Harrisburg.

The Central Pennsylvania conference of the Methodist Episcopal church will meet in the Ridgway Avenue church at Harrisburg, on March 15th, next. Bishop Fowler, of Minneapolis, Minn., will preside over the conference.

Revival.

Rev. Rhoads, pastor of the United Evangelical church, is holding a revival in his church down street. The meetings will be continued.

A PENSION SCHEME.

Circulars Being Sent Out Relative to Monthly Installments.

Those who draw pensions will be interested in knowing that circular letters are being sent out setting forth reasons why it would be much to their individual advantage to have laws passed by congress next winter to do away entirely with the payment of pensions with the monthly instalment and instead to pay them off in one lump ranging from \$3,000 to \$10,000. The object to be attained by this, it is claimed, is the benefit of both the government and the pensioner, as the recipient would thereby be enabled to go into business or make good investment of the money so received, while the government would save an enormous sum in clerk hire and pension department employes, as after some time the whole department would be done away with. The object of these circulars is to find out the wishes of the pensioners in the matter.

England as Our Ally in Any Threatened Menace.

The London weekly papers while they see in the late elections improved prospects of currency legislation, express a fear that the results will encourage Continental Powers to increase hostility toward the annexation of the Philippines by the United States, although they doubt that there will be any more serious intervention than acrimonious protests, "as the Powers are aware that Great Britain would not allow the United States to be overborne by a hostile coalition."

The Spectator says: "The statesmen of the Continent universally fear the advent of the United States in European politics. They cannot rid their heads of the idea that, if they stand together, as when they coerced Japan, America will similarly yield. "But their representations at Washington are likely to irritate greatly the national pride of the Americans, leading to a universal support of President McKinley in a reply, which, however moderate in tone, will in effect be a clear defiance. The excessive fear felt of an Anglo-Saxon alliance is shown by the fact that the whole Continent sees in Lord Salisbury's Guildhall references to America all manner of menaces."

Killed on the Rail.

Last year on American railways one person was killed in accidents out of every 2,827,474 persons carried. That is to say, you can take a train, 2,827,474 times before, on the law of average, your turn comes to be killed. You will have to travel 2,094,964 miles on the cars before that turn comes, and 4,541,945 before you are injured. If you travel 20 miles every day for 300 days in the year, you can keep on at it for 78 years before your turn comes to be hurt. If there had been railways when the Christian era began, and you had begun to travel on the first day of the year A. D. 1 and had traveled 100 miles in every year since then, you would still have, in 1898, nearly three million miles yet to travel before your turn comes to be killed.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Assemblymen Wetzel and Foster, of this county, are pledged against Quay and to favor a fusion if a Democrat can't be elected.

There is still a hitch between Spain and our country in regard to our demand for the Philippine islands, and rumors are flying that the war will be resumed, but the kernel is Spain can't fight.

Within a week almost a score of cases of accidental shooting have occurred in different parts of the state, some of them fatal, and all whilst out hunting.

Wanamaker, and the Republican Business Men's League, announce that 155 members of the legislature were elected as anti-Quay and that a majority of 31 is against the boss. The fight is to be kept up against the boss.

Stone is a minority governor. The vote of Jenks and Swallow is 13,000 larger than Stone's vote.

No Services as Yet.

"The ministers as yet have not taken any action for holding the customary union Thanksgiving services, but it is likely the day will not be allowed to pass without one of them being assigned to deliver the annual sermon."

Was Satisfied.

Among the first to congratulate congressman-elect Hall, of the Twenty-eighth district, was Governor Hastings, who telegraphed the successful Democratic candidate from Bellefonte at one o'clock on last Wednesday morning.

—For sale—A 50-horse stationary boiler; has new stack and fittings. Would take in exchange a 6-horse engine and 12 horse boiler. Address, Look Box 57, Centre Hall, Pa.

LOCAL ITEMS.

Cullings of More than Ordinary Interest from Everywhere.

—*We Don't Love Him, Anyhow.*
Don't you kinder hate the feller
That's the hull darn show?
The chap that ain't got nuttin'
More on earth to know!
He does his talkin' mosly
'Thout his brain's advice—
The feller with the habit
When you tell a tale to stab it
With
"That cuts no ice!"

—*Don't you kinder hate the feller*
That's a first class peach?
Thinkin' he's the only pebble
On a long, wide beach!
He tries to pose as knowin'
But his brow won't grow—
The feller with a habit
When you tell a yarn to jab it
With
"Oh, I don't know!"
—Baltimore American.

Had .06 inch of rain early this morning, indication for more.

John Bower is on a fair way to recover from his shooting accident.

Don't get on all sides of everything; get on the right side and be a man.

Several mornings ago the top of Nittany mountain was slightly snow-capped.

The greater portion of Canonsburg, Pa., was destroyed by fire early Monday morning.

John S. Tomb, of Jersey Shore, is dead; he was a brother of Mrs. Bush, of Bellefonte.

Not so bad—Charles Arney shot seven rabbits Friday forenoon and caught another in its hole.

Stevenson county Ill., gave Prof. P. O. Stiver a plurality of 512 for State Supt. of Education.

A young man named Barner, son of J. J. Barner, in Sugar valley, died of typhoid fever last week.

Phillipsburg is to have free mail delivery, the revenues of that post office amounting to \$10,000 a year.

Henry Schoch, late of Selinsgrove, died at his home, on 2 inst., aged 86; widow and children survive.

Butchering is beginning and sausages and buckwheat cakes are fast getting ripe. Ough, what high liven is ahead!

An attempt was made to burn Henderson and Hull's planing, mill at Montoursville, but the fire was put out.

George Michael, on the McNitt farm near this place, threshed 1200 bushels of wheat from 60 acres. George is a good farmer.

Alfred Krape, of our town, while out in the 7 Mountains with a hunting party, last week, was the first one to shoot a deer.

Rev. Rarick's appointments, Sunday Nov. 20: Centre Hall no service; St. Johns, communion, 10 a. m.; Georges valley, communion, 2 p. m.

A hind quarter of nice beef will be taken on subscription at this office, between now and February. Also several hundred of pork. Report soon.

Governor Hastings has issued the annual Thanksgiving proclamation, designating Thursday, November 24, as a day for thanksgiving and prayer.

Dinner and supper, of chicken and waffles, oysters, ice-cream, &c., will be served in Grange Hall, on Thanksgiving, Nov. 24. Meals 25c; children under 12 years half price.

The serious leak in the boro reservoir still continues, there being a hitch between council and contractor Malone as to responsibility. The recent rains have increased the flow of water considerably.

A woman who kept a dance house at Dawson City, on the Klondike, was on her way east, and was drowned by a boat capsizing on a lake. Her body was recovered, and in her clothing was found \$114,000.

Recent Minn. county deaths: At East Liberty, G. C. Cowden, aged 67 years. At Shrievesburg, R. H. Kerr, in his 80th year. In Decatur twp., Samuel Lawver, aged 79 years. At Allensville, George Pries, aged 79 yrs. At Newton Hamilton, Mrs. Nancy J. Smith, aged 65 years.

Those of our patrons whose labels are not up to '98, will especially favor us by evening up with the needful, as we would put it in circulation so quick that it would likely get back to its starting point again. Thanks to all up to '98 and double thanks to those with labels out in the glorious niche of '99.

Another bank has gone under, and the President shot himself. This time it is the First National of Emporia, Kansas. Speculating with depositors' funds caused the wreck—the old, old story. With increase in bank wrecking, few banks can be considered safe for depositors. Speculations, swindling schemes, riotous living and spend-thrift ways of persons connected with a bank are followed by a bust sooner or later.