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WASHINGTON LETTER.

SIGNIFICANCE OF THE COMING OHIO CAMPAIGN.

The Republicans Will not Have a Walk-Over in that State.—The Clique in Navy Department at Work.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4.—The Republican claim of a walk-over in Ohio, this fall, has been a hollow pretense from the first, and it has grown hollower every day since the Democrats nominated Hon. John R. McLean for Governor. It will not be denied that Mr. McKinley knows Ohio politics thoroughly. It is significant, therefore, that the first thing he did, after his return to Washington, was to hold a conference with several Ohio Republicans, and that one of the results of that conference was a cablegram to Boss Hanna, telling him to hurry home from Europe, in order to take charge of the campaign of his ticket. Mr. McKinley regards Mr. McLean as a strong and dangerous candidate and he knows that if Ohio goes Democratic this year, it will give such a boom to the already rapidly brightening Democratic prospects, that the election of a Democratic President will become well-nigh a certainty. He is determined to prevent this if he can possibly do so, and in addition to Hanna's methods, which will be worked to the limit, the whole power of the administration will be used to help Hanna's ticket.

Although Mr. McKinley only remained in Washington, from Saturday afternoon until today, when he went to Philadelphia to attend the G. A. R. encampment, where he hopes to put in some good political licks and incidentally to prevent a fight being made upon the present management of the Pension Bureau by the old soldiers, he found time to see some of the capitalists who, for purely selfish reasons, are trying to get the government to mix itself up in the revolution in Santo Domingo, by declaring a protectorate over the most turbulent and belligerent mob of "niggers" ever known to exist in any portion of the world. With all his anxiety to please these capitalists, it is not believed that Mr. McKinley will dare to do what they wish him to do. He has troubles enough now, without hunting for new ones.

The Sampson clique in the Navy Department, which has been able to keep Sampson in command of the North Atlantic Squadron, when other officers were entitled to that honor, will have him ordered to shore duty, after the Dewey reception, in New York, and it will also endeavor to prevent the arrival of Admiral Howison, who is Sampson's senior officer, in New York, whither he is bound from the South Atlantic, on the cruiser Chicago, in time to participate in the Dewey ceremonies. Not satisfied with having done so much for Sampson the clique is still working to prevent Schley getting an important command although he is clearly entitled to the sea duty he asked for several months ago. There are three men eligible to succeed Sampson as commander of the North Atlantic Squadron—Schley, Remy, and Farquhar—but if the efforts of the clique are successful, as now seems likely, Schley's name may be considered out of it.

Gen. Fitz Lee gave the War Department a little more than it expected when it asked him and the other Department Commanders in Cuba, to make reports on condition of affairs under their jurisdiction, by adding the following recommendations to his report: "That a census of the island be taken as soon as possible; that the question of suffrage be carefully considered and a decision reached regulating the same; that a modern system of jurisprudence be introduced, so that elective officers can be voted for; that a general election be ordered for a President or a Chief Magistrate, a Vice President and a Congress or legislature to consist of two branches, and all other officers of a republic, as well as municipal elections; all of which can be determined, regulated, and prescribed by a convention composed of delegates in proper proportion from the different provinces, which shall meet as soon after the census is taken as possible. In this way the pledged faith of the U. S. Government to Cuba can be kept." Orders were given in the War Department to suppress this report, but somehow it got out.

In view of his close personal relations with Mr. McKinley, the statement in a report made to the War Department, by Gen. Leonard Wood, that the Military Control of Cuba will have to continue for a long time, is regarded as significant. That sort of opinion from our officers will be made to justify an indefinite military occupation of the island, notwithstanding present talk of municipal elections over there, in the spring, if the people

of this country do not compel different action on the part of the administration.

The administration is crowing loudly because the August financial statement shows a surplus of a little more than four million dollars, but it is not calling anybody's attention to the fact that more than three millions of that surplus came from the sale of the old custom-house site in New York City; nor to the comparative smallness of some of the regular government payments for that month. There is nothing in the present state of government finances to do any crowing over. There is bound to be another big deficit at the close of this fiscal year, just as there was at the close of the last. A small surplus in several months of the year will not affect the general result, and nobody knows that any better than Secretary Gage.

National Export Exposition, Philad.

The National Export Exposition, which opens at Philadelphia on Sept. 14 and continues until November 30, will be the most interesting and important event occurring in Philadelphia since the Centennial Exhibition of 1876. In addition to its valuable commercial exhibits it will present many features of popular interest and amusement. The United States Marine Band, Sousa's Band, the Banda Rossa, Innes' Band, Damosch's Orchestra, and other celebrated bands will furnish music alternately, and a Midway Plaisance, equal if not superior to the famous World's Fair Midway at Chicago, and comprising a Chinese Village, a Chinese Theatre, acrobats, and many other unique presentations, will furnish abundant and diversified amusement. Arrangements have also been made for mandolin, guitar, and banjo concerts, and for a grand chorus from the German Singing Societies.

For this occasion the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets from all points on its line, to Philadelphia and return, at rate of a fare and a third for the round trip plus price of admission. These tickets will be sold during the continuance of the Exposition and will be good for return passage until Nov. 30.

For specific rates and additional information apply to nearest ticket Agent. aug31-2t

Destruction by Storm.

Bald Eagle valley and Nittany valley suffered severely from a heavy thunder storm which struck them last Saturday evening. At Howard the barn of Michael Confer was struck by lightning and destroyed by fire together with contents of all this year's crops and a horse and a pig. Confer's loss is about \$3000, on which he had an insurance of \$2500. A bolt of lightning struck the barn of Robert Cook at Howard, and killed two cows. A cow was killed by lightning in the stable De Hass, at same place. The rainfall was the heaviest this season in the vicinity of Howard. In Nittany valley the oldest residents say they never witnessed such a display of electricity. It played around cook stoves and seemed to fairly fill the houses with flames. One man stated that it appeared as if the lightning came down in showers almost as heavy as rain.

Hunting for an Earring.

The wife of a Centre county farmer dropped an earring while feeding her chickens last week, and the jewel was quickly gobbled up by one of the fowls. Unable to pick out the particular chicken, she killed them all, one by one—twenty-seven in number—but failed to recover the earring. Then she began to look around, and found it in the grass where the old hen had dropped it.

Received a Call.

Current rumor has it that Rev. S. H. Eisenberg, pastor of the Centre Hall Reformed church, has received a call from the Reformed congregation at Millersburg, Dauphin county. Whether Mr. Eisenberg has accepted the call and will leave Centre Hall for the new field, we have been unable to learn.

His Store a Mark.

Burglars paid a visit to the hardware establishment of W. C. Owens, in Philipsburg, on Wednesday night last, blowing open the safe, from which they secured less than \$10. This is the fifth time this store has been burglarized, but the first time the safe was tampered with.

Spread of Diphtheria.

Yesterday four new cases of diphtheria were reported in Millheim, and the disease is on the spread. The board of health quarantined three families and is trying to confine the disease within these limits. The school board of the town held a meeting last night to discuss closing the public schools, but concluded that such a move was not yet necessary.

SHOULD NOT BE HELD.

Sheriff's Liability for Burning of the Etlinger House—Judge Love's Decision.

A decision was handed down Saturday by Judge Love, involving the question as to whether a Sheriff, in making or attempting to make an arrest, may take or destroy private property of innocent third parties and avoid liability therefor.

In this case an action of trespass was brought by Goodman, the owner of the house, against the Sheriff and his deputies to recover for the loss of the dwelling, which was destroyed by the Sheriff and his deputies in an attempt to arrest W. R. Etlinger, who was charged with having killed Constable Barner on March 6, 1896. Etlinger, who was in the house with his wife and two children, kept the Sheriff and deputies at bay with a rifle. After consultation by the Sheriff with his counsel, J. C. Meyer, Esq., it was determined that the only way to rout the occupants of the house and secure the arrest of Etlinger, was to burn the building. A special deputy was sworn in to fire the building, the Sheriff procured combustible material, and the building was fired and practically destroyed. The inmates were driven out by the flames, and Etlinger shot and killed himself.

The Court came to the conclusion that the Sheriff had no right to destroy the property.

The burning was generally acquiesced in by the public.

School Directors and Jobs.

A legal opinion that applies to every school district in Pennsylvania has been rendered by Judge Furst, counsel for the Milesburg School Board.

Owing to the persistence with which a member of the Milesburg board supported one of his family for the position of teacher there has been a deadlock in that School Board for about two months. Finally an appeal was made by one of the directors to Judge Furst, who said, among other things, that directors are not elected by the citizens for the purpose of giving any official an advantage over any one else. In other words, it is a violation of the official relation of a School Director to use the office for the purpose of personal, political or family interests. There is an act of Assembly which forbids a director from being interested in any contract with the school board and makes it a highly penal offense. The State Superintendent has decided that family, political or church influence should never be permitted to swerve a director from his line of duty in the selection of teachers, yet these have often been the bane in the exercise of the office.

More particularly speaking of the case at issue in Milesburg, Judge Furst stated that no directors should create a deadlock in a School Board by a continued effort to elect a member of his own family. It is proper that he present a child's name as a teacher, but when the sentiment of the board is adverse to the selection of such person it is the duty of the director to withdraw the support to one of his own. Otherwise he is clearly using his official position to advance private interests.

The opinion of Judge Furst holds good as to members of other boards, supervisors, councilmen, &c., striving to get employment for members of their families.

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses were issued during the past week:

Samuel S. Yearick and Mary M. Brungart, both of Madisonburg.

Wm. O. Ripka and Ida M. Lingle, both of Spring Mills.

Wm. H. Reed and Meda Bradley, both of Bellefonte.

Walter E. Brandt of Mt. Joy, Lancaster Co. and Marie Beck, of Nittany.

Andro Drapp, and Barbara Lorincy, both of Clarence.

William Taylor Hunt, Anna Mabel Woodring, both of Bellefonte.

David M. Tate, and Etta C. Hamer, both of Lemont.

Jacob Basthold, of Sandy Ridge and Florence Lucas, of Julian Furnace.

K. G. E. Convention.

Two thousand members were present at the fifth annual convention of the Susquehanna district session, Knights of the Golden Eagle, at Hecla Park, Monday. The officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Chief commander, Chastian Hass; lieutenant commander, Henry Haag; district captain, George Beodaff, all of Williamsport. Addresses were made by Present Supreme Chief, C. B. Wood, of Philadelphia, Hon. James Schofield and W. Harrison Walker, of Bellefonte.

Fair at Lewistown.

The Millin county fair is in progress this week at Lewistown, and large crowds are in attendance. The association is only two or three years old, yet it is a very successful one, and is gradually forcing to the front.

THE PATRONS PICNIC.

PRESENT PORTEND FOR A GREAT SUCCESS.

The Big Grange Exhibition Soon to Open at Centre Hall.—The Program for the Week.—Interesting Attractions.

The Patrons picnic and exhibition at Grange Park, Centre Hall, is the next attraction for this part of the state, commencing on Friday, September 15 and closing on Friday, September 22nd. The event is one of importance in these parts and it is a week eagerly looked forward to. This year's exhibition gives promise of exceeding that of any before in attractions and exhibits. The management has already begun work on the Park grounds in making some changes in moving buildings, and laying out the grounds. Exercises will be held daily in the auditorium, at which speakers prominent in public life will discuss the issues of the day. Among those who will be present is Hon. Wm. Creasy, the Democratic nominee for State Treasurer. Several attractions in the line of shows and villages are booked to please those who wish an entertainment other than hearing the weightier topics of the day discussed.

For evening entertainment, the Philadelphia Theatrical Troupe, by the kindness of Thornton Barnes, will give free entertainments every evening in the auditorium, commencing Monday evening.

The committee on arrangements has completed the program. The program provides for the informal opening of the camp on Friday, September 15.

Saturday will be the annual gathering of the Centre County Veteran club, of which Judge James A. Beaver is president. Sunday religious services will be held morning and afternoon by members of the Bellefonte Young Men's Christian Association, and in the evening there will be preaching by Rev. Rhoads, of the United Evangelical church. Monday will be given over to the completing of arrangements of the camp for the week, and the opening up of the live stock exhibition departments. On Tuesday the formal opening exercises of the encampment will occur, when addresses will be made by the officers and members of the Centre County Pomona Grange. Wednesday morning addresses will be made by W. F. Hill, Master of the State Grange, and J. T. Ailman, secretary. In the afternoon W. T. Creasy, will make the only address. An entertainment in the auditorium will be the order for the evening. Thursday morning addresses will be made by W. B. Packard, lecturer of the State Grange; Hon. Frank Moore, of Bradford, and Mrs. Helen Johnson, of Erie, the Ceres of the State Grange. In the afternoon the speakers will be Hon. Mortimer Whitehead, of New Jersey, and Miss Emma Brewer, of York. The evening will be given over to a stereopticon entertainment. The camp will close on Friday with the usual business meeting of the association.

Cattle Thieves Arrested.

John and George Frye, of Snow Shoe township, have been arrested, charged with stealing cattle, which they drove out of the county and sold at a low price to butchers. During the summer months farmers who had their stock herded in the Allegheny mountains were perplexed over the apparently mysterious disappearance of many of the best of them. As a result of detective work the Frye brothers were arrested at North Bend, where it is said they had just disposed of a number of young cattle, and the purchasers testified that they had negotiated to furnish them from ten to fifteen head per month. The men are now under bail for trial. It is believed that they are only part of a large gang of cattle thieves.

A Shirt Factory.

Millheim is at present on the point of having an industrial boom in the shape of a shirt factory enterprise. The town has a desirable location in the old knitting factory building, and some of the enterprising citizens having the good of the town at heart, want to utilize this long-empty building for the plant. The factory will give employment to a great many hands, and the move should receive the proper encouragement from the citizens of that town.

Anti-fat Suggestion.

A penny in the slot sent the arrow to 215 as the weight of Ed. Chambers, and, alarming to tell, he is adding to it every day. The only anti-fat we could recommend for this distinguished Quay leader to reduce his avoirdupois, would be to resign his sinecure, invest in dynamite, and take a contract to rid a hundred acre clearing of stumps.

ANNUAL PICNIC.

Patrons of Husbandry, at Grange Park, Centre Hall, Pa. Reduced Rates and Special Trains via the P. R. R.

For the Annual Picnic and Exhibition, to be held at Grange Park, Centre Hall, Pa., September 15 to 22, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets from Renovo, Harrisburg, and intermediate stations, including stations on the Lewisburg and Tyrone Branch, Shamokin Division, and Summit Branch, to Centre Hall and return, September 15, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22, valid for return passage until September 23, inclusive at rate of single fare for the round trip (minimum rate, twenty-five cents.)

On Saturday, September 16, special train will be run to Centre Hall, leaving Bellefonte at 10.10 a. m., stopping at principal intermediate stations. Returning, special train will leave Centre Hall for Bellefonte 7.00 p. m.

On Saturday 16, special train returning will leave Centre Hall for Coburn and intermediate stations at 5.30 p. m.

On Wednesday and Thursday, September 20 and 21, special trains will be run to Centre Hall, leaving Bellefonte at 7.20 and 10.10 a. m., and 7.25 p. m., stopping at principal intermediate stations. Returning, special trains will leave Centre Hall for Bellefonte at 3.30, 6.30, and 9.45 p. m.

On Wednesday, September 20, special train returning will leave Centre Hall for Coburn and intermediate stations at 8.20 p. m.

On Thursday, September 21, special train returning will leave Centre Hall for Lewisburg and principal intermediate stations at 8.20 p. m.

For time of regular trains consult time tables. sept17-2t

Foster's Weather Forecast.

My last bulletin gave forecasts of the storm wave to cross the continent from 2d to 6th, and the next will reach the Pacific coast about 7th, cross the west of Rockies country by close of 8th, great central valleys 9th to 11th, eastern states 12th.

Warm wave will cross the west of Rockies country about 7th, great central valleys 9th, eastern states 11th. Cool wave will cross west of Rockies country about 10th, great central valleys 12th, eastern states 14th.

Temperature of the week ending 8 a. m., September 18, will average about, and rainfall above normal.

Another storm wave will reach the Pacific coast about 13th, cross the west of Rockies country by close of 14th, great central valley 15th to 17th, eastern states 18th.

Warm wave will cross west of Rockies country about 13th, great central valleys 15th. Eastern states 17th. Cool wave will cross the west of Rockies country about 16th, great central valleys 18th, eastern states 20.

Blood on the Moon.

There is more trouble in Republican ranks in Centre county. A few days ago County Chairman W. E. Gray called a meeting of the county nominees, but when they arrived in Bellefonte he was not to be found. Finally he was located at his home, but he refused to attend the conference. He is a Quay man, and it is charged that he will be lukewarm for the ticket, because the Hastings people nominated it. It is further charged that the Quay postmasters will not be found actively at work for the candidates. Postmaster Betz, Marion township, is quoted as saying that he will fight the ticket. E. R. Chambers, one of the appointees of the Auditor General, is also quoted as saying that he will oppose the Hastings nominees.

Aeronaut's Fatal Fall.

N. E. Crissey, an aeronaut, fell 600 feet to instant death, on the Punxsutawney fair grounds last Thursday. Crissey was scheduled to make daily balloon ascensions at the fair grounds this week. He went up in a large tube, which inverted itself at the proper moment, but the balloonist and his parachute descended. When Crissey ascended the belt by which he was held broke just as he was inverting his tube, and he fell like a stone to the ground outside the fair inclosure. When picked up he was dead. Five thousand people saw the accident. Crissey was 25 years old and an experienced balloonist. At one time he was a resident of Howard, this county.

See That You Are on the List.

The fall election will be held Tuesday, November 7. The law requires that all citizens must be registered sixty days and have their taxes paid thirty days before that date, in order to make them eligible to vote, therefore voters must be registered not later than September 8th, and pay their taxes on or before October 7th.

A Balloon Accident.

A lady balloonist made an ascension at Huntingdon last week, she lost control of the parachute in descending and fell sixty feet, breaking her leg and hip. Hopes for her recovery are entertained.

LOCAL ITEMS.

Callings of More than Ordinary Interest from Everywhere.

The Phunnyphone.

ALEXANDER.
There was a youth who kept a store, And though some might be grander, He kept a store all through the war And his name was Alexander.

He mixed his goods with cunning hand And was a skillful brander; While oft his sugar was half sand— Some called him Alex-sander.

One day his loved one to him came, Then lovingly he scanned her; He asked her would she change her name, And a ring did Alex-hand-her.

"Oh, yes," she said, with smiling lip, "If I can be commander;" They both then formed a partnership And called it Alex-and-her. —Alex. Geddes.

Big success: The biz men's picnic. Creasy speaks, Sep. 20, Centre Hall. No peaches: In our valley orchards. Diphtheria: At Coburn and vicinity. Good place to locate at—Centre Hall. Vets Re-union, Sep. 16, Centre Hall. Send your dues: All in arrears, do. Up, and going higher: Trust coal. Fall coming; look for a soft landing. It costs nothing: To be courteous and kind. Want Hamilton's scalp: The grangers.

Fresh apple butter is on many tables already. Free evening concerts: By the crickets and katy-dids.

Oft neglected: The broom to sweep before your own door.

The health laws of the state are very strict against any bad smelling offal. A Rogue: The fellow who says there is no honesty in politics. Watch 'im.

Rev. Wolff, pastor of the Aaronsburg Lutheran church, has resigned, to take effect Oct. 1.

Two of Aaronsburg's old residents, Jesse Wert and Frank Weaver, are on the sick list, and unable to leave their homes.

The Mountain Echo, a weekly newspaper in Bedford county, was purchased a few days ago by Rev. Dr. Colfelt.

Centre Hall would be a good location for a canning factory. Fruit, vegetables and berries, are usually plenty in this section.

Hemlock lumber has advanced \$4 per 1000 feet in the last eight months. Pine lumber has gone up \$2 to \$3, according to grade.

Rev. Daniel Mitterling, of Michigan, preached an able sermon in the Presbyterian church, of this place, last Sabbath morning.

L. A. Schaeffer, Justice of the Peace, Bellefonte, has resigned. He was a good official and his resignation is a loss to the public.

The owners of iron ore banks at Adamsburg and Kreamer in Snyder county are arranging to operate their mines to their full capacity.

This town should be happy. It has ministers enough to start a good school of theology and physicians enough to found a medical college.

Rev. Rearick's appointments, Sunday Sept. 10: At Centre Hall, 10 a. m.; at St. Johns church at 7 p. m.; at X church, Georges valley, 2 p. m.

Strawberry Plants, of choice varieties, for sale in any quantity desired, by Geo. R. Meese, Tusseyville. Price, 50c per 100; \$4 per 1000 plants. 3t

The stoutest field of corn, in all this section, is on the "Kline farm," occupied by Mr. Long, some six miles east of here, with stalks unusually heavy and tall.

Governor Stone has appointed Prof. John Hamilton and W. C. Patterson, of State College, delegates to the Farmers' Convention, to be held in Boston, October 3.

The Evangelical bush meeting will commence Sept. 9, in James Wert's grove, about one mile from Yearick's church, some 8 miles east of Centre Hall, to continue until the 12th.

The great demand for iron ore will place the ore mines of this country in operation. The many ore banks in this county may be brought into operation by the rise in the price of iron.

Byron Garis has his new house on east Church street in good enough condition for occupancy by the holidays. Mr. Weaver's new house near the picnic ground, is also near completion.

Emanuel Sunday, of Ferguson twp., has returned from Philadelphia, whither he had gone for treatment for cancer of the throat, but the physicians informed him nothing could be done for him.

Hay Fever—Summer Grip.—The symptoms of Hay Fever and La Grippe are identical: prostration, sneezing, inflammation of the mucous membrane. Dr. Humphrey's Specific "77" cures both; 25c at all druggists.