



WASHINGTON LETTER.

HANNA SHOWS HIS HAND ON THE TARIFF BILL.

A Tariff Necessary to Secure Campaign Campaign Funds from the Trusts Who Will be Benighted.

WASHINGTON, March 26.—Boss Hanna, having failed to convince all the Republican Senators, by telling them that the passage of the Porto Rico tariff bill was necessary to get certain big campaign contributions, is now vigorously wielding the party whip on the shoulders of the kickers, with able assistance on the quiet from Mr. McKinley. It was to help him that Senator Foraker got the Senate Porto Rico bill sent back to Committee. This leaves the deck clear for the House bill, which deals exclusively with the Porto Rico tariff. Every energy is now to be bent to force that through the Senate without amendment. Five or six Republican Senators still threaten to filibuster against a vote.

Senator Cockrell, speaking for the Democratic Senators, just before the Senate passed the bill authorizing the appointment of a Commission to go to China and Japan and make a report on Commercial conditions in those countries, said: "The Republican party is in absolute control, and we on this side of the Chamber are powerless to prevent the enactment of any legislation coming from the Republican party and deemed necessary by it. I will not antagonize this bill, although I do not agree with it in principle. I want it understood now, and understood distinctly, that hereafter, absolute responsibility must rest upon the Republican party for the passage of all resolutions and bills."

Senator Tillman utilized his pitchfork, to toss a few aggravating questions to the almost distracted Republican Senators, which furnished considerable amusement to the occupants of the galleries and to the Democratic Senators. Among the questions, which no Republican seriously attempted to answer, were the following: "Has the President changed his mind or not? Is the President for free trade with Porto Rico today, or is he not? Is he leading his party or has he surrendered to the dictates of special interest, following the triumphal car like a prisoner of war? Will some gentleman please tell me whether the President is for free trade with Porto Rico, or is he not? After waiting in vain for a reply to his questions, Mr. Tillman said with a sardonic laugh: "A dumbness falls upon us all." He then vividly sketched the present troubles of the Republican party, and predicted that the people would sweep it from power, for not recognizing that the flag, the Constitution and liberty must travel together, and charged the Republican party with indirection, hypocrisy, and dirty work. Senator Spooner sought to detract attention from Senator Tillman's plain talk about Porto Rico by shifting the debate to the suppression of the negro vote in South Carolina, but Mr. Tillman met him at once by declaring that he had no apologies to make for the action of the white people of South Carolina, adding: "When you could get nothing more from us by law, you turned a horde of negroes and carpet baggers loose upon us to steal everything we had left. We are here to stay, and we demand our rights. We are not to be trampled on and hampered and patronized any longer. I say that as a South Carolinian, I am the equal of any Senator on this floor. I propose to have my say here, no matter whose feelings are hurt."

After ten years' service in the House Representative Cox, of Tenn., has announced that he will not be a candidate for re-election. When asked why, he answered in three words—"Tired of it." He will be missed by the Democrats of the next House, as he has won a place as an able champion of Democratic principles.

That the government overpays for low-grade work and underpays for high-grade work has again been emphasized by the resignation of Hon. A. P. Greeley, Assistant Commissioner of Patents, because of his small salary, to engage in practice in Washington, making a specialty of trade marks and foreign patents. The retirement of Mr. Greeley is a decided loss to the government. He has been in the Patent office for sixteen years, has filled many important positions, including that of Commissioner, besides writing several works recognized as authority on patent law, and not only proved his ability, but exhibited an amount of backbone seldom found in a government official. The latter was particularly noticeable in the long fight which resulted in disbarring the notorious John Wedderburn and other crooked patent attorneys.

Representative Caldwell, of Ill., believes that Senator Cullom will be succeeded by a Democrat. He said: "I think I have a right to be sanguine in my hopes that we shall elect a Democrat to the U. S. Senate. The present law districting the state makes it possible for us to carry the legislature, although the Republican have a majority in the state somewhere between 25,000 and 45,000."

One result of the investigation, now being made by the House Military Committee of the use of Federal troops in Idaho, is the resolution offered in the House by Representative Lentz, of Ohio, and in the Senate by Senator Allen, of Nebr., calling for the withdrawal of Federal troops from the Coeur d'Alene district in Idaho; the revocation of the labor permit system, and restoration of the right of habeas corpus. The resolution declares that the further use of U. S. troops in aiding and assisting the maintenance of martial law is improper, unnecessary and unlawful.

LATE NEWS NOTES.

A suit over a dead dog, in Indianapolis, a \$1 cat, has piled up \$1000 costs.

Now they are after seven of Scranton's councilmen charged with corruption and bribery.

In the Kentucky Goebel murder trials the testimony is coming alarmingly close to the guilt of Governor Taylor and members of his cabinet.

The Republicans of one branch of the Iowa Legislature by unanimous vote, adopted a resolution declaring for free trade with the island! Inform McKinley so he may understand his plain duty.

Two New Counterfeits.

Notice is being sent out from Washington of two new counterfeit bills. The first is a \$5 silver certificate of the series of 1896, check letter "B" plate thirty, Bruce register, Roberts treasurer. The bill is a fairly deceptive one, printed from photo-etched plates on two pieces of paper, and red and blue silk threads are distributed between them. The work is blurred and the small seal is darker than the genuine. The back of the note is also darker.

The other bill is a \$1 silver certificate of the series of 1899, check letter "C," Lyons register, Roberts treasurer. It is printed on rough photo-etched paper, the seal and the numbers are lighter and the lathe work and portraits are blurred. The back of the note is a dirty green and the lathe work is very rough.

The Texas Anti-trust Law.

The Washington dispatches announce that the Texas Anti-trust law has been upheld in the United States Supreme Court. Thus the trusts are likely to have a hard time before them in the near future. The Texas law was one of the most stringent passed by any of the Western States. It practically allows debtors of trusts to repudiate their obligations on the ground that a contract made with an illegal combination is itself illegal. Meanwhile the Democratic leaders at Washington are asking Congress to take active measures against specific trusts, on the ground that they are illegally operating in interstate commerce. This promises to be known as the "anti-trust year" in American history.

Girls, Think of This.

An exchange asks: How many miles will the jaws of a gum chewing girl travel in the course of a year, and then says: Giving her jaw a play of an inch, or an inch of travel for each, 30 chews a minute, 60 minutes an hour, 10 hours a day, 365 days a year, her jaws traveled 6,750,000 inches or a fraction over 103 miles. This for the girl with the small mouth; the big mouthed girl can beat that record.

Manufacturing News for the Daily Papers.

There can be no benefit of permanent value to any one by reporting for the Daily papers what is not strictly true. A man may gain some little advantage for the present, but it is certain that no kind of legitimate business can be successfully conducted very long on that line. The public press is an educator in morals as well as otherwise. The young people especially cannot be fitly educated by questionable methods. The writer of this has reference now to the reports of the Centre County Sunday School Convention at Centre Hall last Tuesday, sent from Bellefonte to the Philadelphia Dailies. Certain lines of business were reported as transacted that were not done and nobody thought of doing. Mrs. Barnes' address was favorably reported. She was not at the convention. The next convention at State College; no person present thought of placing it there. In this age of newspaper reading, people generally, to say the least, want to know what is true and reliable. If they do not get it, then believe me, some of the Dailies will be Sheldonized. Bellefonte, R. CHITTENDER, March 22, 1900.

Readable Clippings.

The Connecticut girl who has been sleeping since Monday has some of the symptoms of the hired girl about the time she should have the breakfast ready.

There are 71 princesses in Europe without husbands, and only 47 princes to go around, and still American girls manage to pick up an occasional prize in the lot.

The loudest speakers in Congress are Senator Tillman and Representative Brosius. Mr. Brosius speaks with a long, deep roar, while Senator Tillman, when fairly wrought up to his subject, speaks in spasmodic shrieks.

Thos. Burkholder, of Lehigh county, sold his perfected new method of tanning hides, tried for 15 years, for \$25,000 down and a royalty of two cents on every hide tanned. By his discovery hides can be tanned at less cost than by the old method and in one-fifth the time.

Ram's Horn: The human weeds in a community stand as conspicuous as tares among the wheat, and are as great a nuisance and drawback to a locality.

Sam Jones: The devil is the father of jealousy as well as of liars; for Satan knows that jealous spirits enrich his harvest.

Will Not Deliver the Deed.

There is a possible litigation in sight between the Evangelical church and the United Evangelical church over the Centre Hall church property. When the split in the Evangelical church occurred which resulted in favor of the Evangelicals, the property in Centre Hall was handed over to the former by a decision of the court. Without any members in town, the Evangelicals arranged to sell the church property and parsonage to the new organization, for \$450. An agreement was drawn up to this effect and the United Evangelicals took possession of the property and have occupied the church and dwelling for about two years. The members are now somewhat disturbed over failure to secure a deed, the Evangelicals refusing to hand over the deed unless \$200 more is paid over the article calls for. The United Evangelicals have tendered the amount several times, but the deed was not forthcoming. To end the controversy, resort will likely be made by law to secure the deed, and the matter promises to end in litigation, as the United Evangelicals refuse to pay the additional money asked.

These are Facts.

If you tout your little whistle and then lay aside your horn, there's not a soul will ever know that such a man was ever born. The man who owns his acres is the man who plows all day and the man who keeps a hunting is the man who makes it pay. The man who advertises with a short and sudden jerk, is the man who blames the printer because it didn't work. The man who gets the business uses brainy printer's ink, not a cutter and a splutter, but an ad. that makes you think; and he who plans his advertisement as he plans his well bought stock, has the future to his business just as solid as a rock.

To Extract a Splinter.

The easiest way to extract a splinter deep in the flesh of the hand or foot is by means of steam. A rather wide mouthed bottle is filled two-thirds full of boiling water, and the injured spot is held close over the opening. The suction draws the flesh down, and a little additional pressure is used to assist the exit of the intruder. In a few moments the steam extracts the splinter, and the inflammation rapidly subsides.

Will Run the Paper.

The editor of the Western Spirit, published at Paola, Kansas, has tendered his paper for a month to Brigham H. Roberts, who was elected to Congress from Utah but not allowed to take his seat, "to be edited as a Mormon would run it." It is said Mr. Roberts will likely accept, and that he will rip the United States Congress up the back in a way to make the ghosts of Brigham Young and Joseph Smith crack a smile that can be heard a mile.

Takes Possession on Monday.

The new firm Meyer & Musser take possession of Wolf & Crawford's store on Monday next, when the old firm retires. Mr. Musser is the son-in-law of Mr. Meyer, and will move to Centre Hall from Lancaster, Pa. Mr. Meyer has been in the mercantile business before, and is familiar with its details.

Big Sale Today.

Today, Thursday, occurs the large public sale of D. J. Meyer, east of Linden Hall, and there promises to be a very large crowd there, attracted by the immense lot of horses, cattle, hogs and other stock he will offer.

DEMOCRATS FOR BRYAN

SENTIMENT OF TUESDAY'S CONVENTION.

Democratic County Convention Reconvened.—Delegates Appointed.—Hall Endorsed for Congress.

Convention met in court-house, Tuesday, called to order by chairman, J. K. Johnson, who introduced permanent president A. J. Graham.

No others being named, the following were elected by acclamation as delegates to the state convention: John Noll and G. R. Meek, Bellefonte; J. A. Woodward, Howard; A. J. Graham, Phillipsburg; John J. Smith, Spring Mills.

Resolutions offered by W. Harrison Walker, esq., and unanimously adopted, endorse the Altoona and Chicago platforms; the weakness and inefficiency of the administration in backing down from its "plain duty" towards Porto Rico, is denounced.

Imperialism is denounced. Placing a tariff on the products of Porto Rico is pronounced a monstrous iniquity.

Congressman J. K. P. Hall is endorsed and his renomination favored. The delegates to the state convention are instructed to support Colonel J. L. Spangler as one of the delegates from this congressional district to the next Democratic National convention, and Hon. P. G. Meek as one of the delegates-at-large.

Addresses were made by Colonel Spangler, Chas. R. Kurtz, H. S. Taylor, G. R. Meek and J. A. Woodward.

Getting a Move On.

A great part of our town has got the flitting fever the past week and the amount of bustle and stir in the town is something out of the ordinary. Some are already settled down, while others have the trouble yet in hand. The changes are many, some families moving to other parts while their places will be taken by others who want to become citizens. Mrs. M. A. Goodhart and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Mark left their home and have gone to Nitany valley where he will go to farming. G. W. Bushman moved into Mrs. Goodhart's house. D. A. Booser flitted into the Furst property on Church street, and Peter Keller moved into the house with Mrs. Booser. Mr. Alters from Spring Mills, carpenter, will occupy the Evangelical church parsonage. Merchant W. H. Meyer, will move into the house occupied by Aaron Thomas, the latter going into the Kriese property occupied by Ollie Mader who fits to Mrs. Rishell's property further down street. Robert Sweetwood flitted into the Fleisher home, from the station. Frank A. Foreman has moved to the dwelling occupied by Lyman Smith, who doubles up with D. F. Luse until his new residence is finished. George Barner comes to town to occupy the Ripka home, and George Rowe moves on the farm vacated by Barner. C. J. Shaffer will flit to Yeagertown, where he is working in the iron works. James Durst moves from the John Spangler house on Church street to the William Spangler farm, near Potters Mills, and Wm. Spangler will move into his residence at the station lately purchased from Wm. H. Meyer. Wm. Curry moves from the Houser farm west of town to the house vacated by James Durst. Alfred Durst moves from his farm near Potters Mills and will occupy part of the Clem Lose house at the station until he has his new dwelling erected.

Must Have Revenue Stamp.

The authorities have just sent out the edict that all mail carriers or hack drivers who carry packages from one town to another for pay, must see that such packages have a one cent revenue stamp attached to a receipt given for the package. In other words all such carriers are viewed the same as express companies in this regard. Of course where a package is lifted from an express office or taken to such office the one stamp is all that is necessary. A mail carrier, however, who only occasionally carries packages as an accommodation and not for hire, would not be considered as common carrier within the meaning of the law, and would not be obliged to issue or stamp receipts for such packages.

It Might be Accomplished.

According to an estimate of the aggregate amount that can be realized throughout Pennsylvania from an assessment of one dollar upon each bicycle owner for the building of sidepaths, it may be assumed that nearly half a million dollars could be available this year. If the law had been formulated to place a like nominal tax upon every person who owns a team and apply the combined funds to making good roads, a lasting all-around benefit might be accomplished.

GOEBEL MURDER TRIAL.

Damaging Evidence Against Republicans High in Office.

"John Powers told me they had two niggers here to kill Goebel. They were Herker Smith and Dock Coombs."

This statement was made on 24th, by Wharton Golden, a consumptive Kentucky mountaineer, while on the witness stand in Frankfort in the preliminary examination of Secretary of State Caleb Powers, charged with conspiracy to kill Senator Goebel.

Golden went into the story quickly and said Powers told him to go to Harlan county and tell Postmaster John Hirst to send down ten witnesses who were regular mountain feudists.

"What was your understanding of that request?"

"Well, men who would stand up, and if necessary go into the legislative hall and kill off enough to make it in our favor. I saw Hamp Howard. I told him we wanted ten men who had good Colt forty-fives."

"Were the forty-fives to be put in evidence?" asked Attorney Campbell.

"Most assuredly they were," answered Golden.

Golden said when he saw Powers in London, the Secretary said he wanted a regular army of mountain men to come. In all about 1200 or 1500 men were brought to Frankfort. They were fed back of the State House.

"We understood what they were kept here for," said Golden. "We knew that those men were here to clean out those fellows if necessary."

"What fellows?"

"The Democrats, enough to make a majority on our side."

The answer created a sensation in the court room.

"Later I saw Powers talking to Walter Day and Governor Taylor. R. J. Howard, of Harlan county, came up, and he talked to Taylor. He insisted on Taylor calling out the militia. 'My God! You people must do something first,' adding, 'I can get the militia quick enough. You fellows must act first.' By that I understood we fellows must raise a riot in the Senate chamber. Goebel was there."

"They had two negroes there to kill Goebel. John Powers told me so. They were Herker Smith and Dick Coombs. I saw Dick Coombs at the drug store near the depot every morning for a week or so previous to the shooting. Coombs, talking to a man named Wallace in my presence, said with an oath: 'I know him as far as I can see him and I can kill him as far as I can see him.' He was talking of Goebel."

Applications for Pensions.

The Pension Office has made public the fact that out of eight volunteer regiments, serving in the Spanish war, there has been sent in 3,588 applications for pensions. The further fact is given that in those eight regiments only 254 casualties were reported while the war was in existence, and probably not one-fourth part represents death. All this sets one to wondering on what basis the remaining 3,324 claims are founded. It is believed the fine hand of the pension attorney is visible in this deluge of claims. In fact, it was openly charged on the floor of the House not long ago that hardly a single volunteer that served in the Spanish war has failed to receive numerous letters from pension attorneys, all urging them to prefer claims for pensions.

Death of a Young Boy.

John, the six-year-old son of William Noll, living on top of Nittany mountain, died last Friday from convulsions. The little fellow had a severe beating in his head several days before and the convulsions following resulted in his death. The remains were interred in the Pleasant Gap cemetery on Monday morning.

Married.

At the Presbyterian parsonage, Centre Hall, March 23rd, 1900, by Rev. F. F. Christine, Mr. Harry N. Koch and Miss Maggie W. Campbell, both of Fairbrook, Pa.

It is very hard to stand idly by and see our dear ones suffer while awaiting the arrival of the doctor. An Albany (N. Y.) dairyman called at a drug store there for a doctor to come and see his child, then very sick with croup. Not finding the doctor in, he left word for him to come at once on his return. He also bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which he hoped would give some relief until the doctor should arrive. In a few hours he returned, saying the doctor need not come, as the child was much better. The druggist, Mr. Otto Scholz, says the family has since recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to their neighbors and friends until he has a constant demand for it from that part of the country. For sale by J. H. Ross Linden Hall; S. M. Swartz, Tusseyville; F. A. Carson, Potters Mills; H. F. Rossman, Spring Mills; J. F. Smith, Centre Hall.

LOCAL ITEMS.

Callings of More than Ordinary Interest from Everywhere.

Sing No More for Sorrow.

Sing no more for sadness
Songs of bitter-sweet;
Sing the songs of gladness,
Rest and pleasure greet!
Life is what we make it,
Very dark or bright;
Trouble as we take it,
Wearily or light.

Sing no more for sorrow,
Words that cause delay;
Grief may come to-morrow,
Joy is here today.
Care is but a burden
We ourselves impose;
Labor like a guerdon
For our many woes.

Sing a song of pleasure!
Sing it, ring it, sweet!
Set it to the measure
Of merry toiling feet!
Sing for light and laughter,
Melodies that please;
Peace will follow after
And the world be full of ease.

Charles W. Stevenson

Snow and mud Monday.
Saturday was a delightful day.

Try Redmill cornmeal, its xx a. 11.
Henry Potter makes his home at Harry Swab's.

D. M. McCool has moved from Hartleton to Farmers Mills.

James K. Norris, of Colyer, gets an increase of pension, \$8 to \$10.

Mrs. McKinley has the grip; well, so have a score of other women.

Many farmers are out of coarse grain for feed, owing to poor crops last fall.

For sale or rent a house and lot of ground, apply to Sam. Ertel, Gregg tp.

Aim to make a record for yourself for good for your town and vicinity, by something solid, not wind.

John W. Conley, of Potter, has announced his name as a Democratic candidate for assembly. See card.

Rev. Barick's appointments, Sunday April 1st: Centre Hall, 10 a. m.; Spring Mills, 7 p. m.; Tusseyville, 2 p. m.

With two new lumber operations in prospect, with Centre Hall for a shipping point, should give us a little boom.

A Millheim correspondent says there are likely to be a dozen houses vacant in that town. The "agent of prosperity" must put on his specs.

Rev. Harvey Crow, of Mercer county has accepted the call to the pastorate of the Hubersburg Reformed charge. He has been in the ministry five years.

It is reported Millheim has a dozen vacant houses. Perhaps too many noisy deadweights, to hinder those who are public spirited—such never fail to cripple a town.

Everybody is waiting for somebody else to put in and give the town a boom. That's not the way; all pitch in like some of "us'ens" did 15 and 20 years ago—an' it boomed right smart.

The public sales of T. W. Walker and Newt. Brungart, in Miles township, a short time ago, good prices prevailed. At Brungart's sale horses averaged over \$103. One mare brought \$188.

Al. S. Garman, of Tyrone, has been chosen as one of Blair county's delegates to the Democratic state convention. Could not have done better, Al was always a true Democrat when he lived in this county.

The Centre Democrat's organ contest up to last week, stood: Lutheran church, Pleasant Gap, \$157; M. E. church, Roland, 2928; Union Sunday School, Zion, 2375; Unionville Presbyterian Church, 240; Reformed Church, Pinegrove, 98; Pleasant Valley Church Yarnell, 85; M. E. Church, Howard, 41; Reformed Church, Millheim, 6.

In the name of all the jams and jellies, johnnycakes and hash, chickens and waffles, schnitz un knep, in the name of all else good to eat and drink, when you write us to change your post office address, don't fail to give the name of the old address with the new. You are not the only J. King, John Smith, or Bill Long, or Jake Stover, or Sam Shaffer, or whatever your cognomen be, there are many others of same name, and how are we to know which is 'O'ther, unless we have your last banking place along with the one to be changed to? write names plainly.

Tuesday morning a robbin came right to our office window and looked in, as if to say, Spring is here an' so an I.

Oh, dear robbin friend,
Why thus to condescend?
And violate the edict all,
"Must not on the Reporter call."
By so many 'tis disobeyed,
(As scores to us have said),
Take care, lest for this sin 'tis willed,
Dear redbreast, you shall be killed.
In May we'll have a bug for thee,
In June a ripe ox-heart cherry.
Come again, birdie, there's excellent company here away—we'll look care o' you.