

WASHINGTON LETTER.

MCKINLEY HAS HANNA RUN HIS CAMPAIGN.

Two Cabinet Members are Sent to the Convention.—Troops Sent to China from the Philippines.

WASHINGTON, June 18.—McKinley must have doubts of the ability of Hanna to carry out the program in Philadelphia, which he has O. K'd. That is the only explanation of the very bad taste he has shown in sending two members of the Cabinet—Secretary Root and Postmaster General Smith,—to Philadelphia, to help Hanna manipulate the Republican Convention. Smith carried the platform, which he wrote under orders from Mr. McKinley and Hanna, that will be adopted by the Convention, and Root's special business is to see that Boss Platt doesn't get in his threatened monkey business with the Vice Presidential portion of the Hanna McKinley program.

If we haven't a sufficient number of troops in the Philippines to keep the Filipinos in subjection, how are we going to be able to send a lot of them to China to help the Europeans whip the Chinese "boxers" into subjection? That is the problem that now confronts Mr. McKinley and his Cabinet. And after this government helps the European government knock out the boxers and set up a new Chinese government, what will come next? That is the problem which may, in the very near future confront the American people. Are we ready to assume any responsibilities for the government of more Asiatics? Have we not already more of that sort of thing than is desirable?

He is a very glib chap indeed, who will be convinced by the number of national banks organized under the single gold standard law, enacted by the Republican Congress, that the new law is a good thing. But that seems to be the Republican idea. Periodically since the law went into effect, Comptroller Dawes has given the press a statement showing the number of banks, etc. The last says that 362 applications have been made and 159 authorized to organize, with a total capital of \$8,645,000, and that the increase in National Bank Note circulation has been \$51,997,910. A careful and correct statement of the condition of these new banks a year or two from now will be much more important than the figures now given out.

The administration was greatly chagrined by the indifference of the people of Washington towards Gen. E. S. Otis, and took especial pains to add attractions to the reception given him by the people of Rochester, N. Y., his home city. Secretary Long sent the full Marine Band, at public expense, and Secretary Root, virtually ordered Gen. Joe. Wheeler, now an unassigned Brigadier General in the regular army, to go to Rochester to help add enthusiasm to the occasion. Mr. McKinley has been made to realize, by the indifference of the public toward Gen. Otis, how unpopular his Philippine policy is with the people, and with the realization has come alarm. He knows that the people know that the responsibility for putting Otis in command in the Philippines, and keeping him in command after his unfitness for the position had been shown up, belongs to Wm. McKinley, and he fears that the people will be as indifferent towards him on election day as they have shown themselves to be towards Otis now. The spectre of doubt has become Mr. McKinley's constant companion.

Senator Nicholas Rivery, editor of one of the leading Havana papers, who has been in Washington a few days, thinks there has been wrong-doing in other branches of the Cuban Government as well as in the postoffice branch. He gave the Senate Committee a pointer that should not be overlooked, when he said: "I wish we could have a thorough investigation of the expenditures of money on sanitary and engineering works. Such an investigation might reveal some interesting facts. The reports of fraud in connection with these works are very persistent in Havana, and investigation might show that a great deal of Cuban money has been improperly expended."

Admiral Dewey has found out that he was never in the running as a candidate for President, and has scratched his name off the entries to the race. In reply to a direct question as to whether he would accept the nomination for Vice President, on the Bryan ticket, the Admiral said: "I have never contemplated being a candidate for Vice President. I am not a candidate for nomination to that office and would not accept the nomination if it were offered to me. That is plain English."

The Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee is sending out a list

of trust-controlled goods, which have been, as a result raised in price; also a table showing that the farmers of the country are paying one-third more for everything they consume, than they were paying when the Republican administration assumed power, while they have lost since March 4, 1897, by the decline of prices in farm products, the enormous sum of \$2,000,000,000.

Queer Weeds and Grumblers

It is the philosophical conclusion of the Punxutawny Spirit, that in order to arrive at swift and accurate conclusions about public affairs it is necessary to take part in them. The grumbler who sits at home and complains about "the way politics is run," is usually about as correct in his judgment as the man who stays at home during a war and points out the mistakes of the generals.

Here's a true one, too: There are men in this town, as in some other places, when you listen to their talk are brimful of public spirit and enterprise and advise "how it should be," but when you come around for a lift to help things along for the good of the town then they are not in it, no, not a half cent's worth, and their part is of the same emptiness.—Jackson Farmer. (True as can be, other towns have the same weeds and have their heads above useful plants.)

A Big Corn Story.

A Pennsylvania man traveling through Kansas recently heard a great many tall corn stories, and thought he would tell some of them in a letter home. This is how he did it: "Most of the streets are paved, the grains of corn being used for cobblestone, while the cobs are hollowed out and used for sewer pipe. The husk, when taken off whole and stood on end, make a nice tent for children to play in. It sounds queer to hear the feed man tell the driver to take a dozen grains of horse feed over to Jackson's livery stable. If it were not for soft, deep soil here I don't see how they would ever harvest the corn, as the stalks would grow up in the air as high as a church steeple. However, when the ears get too heavy their weight presses the stalk down in the ground on an average of forty-five feet, and this brings the ear near enough to the ground to be chopped off with an axe."

Pay of Enumerators.

Census enumerators are paid according to the following schedule: For each living inhabitant enumerated, 2 1/2 cents.

For each living inhabitant enumerated, Indian population, 2 1/2 cents. For each farm returned, 17 1/2 cents. For each death reported, 5 cents. For each person defective in sight, hearing or speech reported, 5 cents.

For each prisoner reported on special schedule (this includes only those held as prisoners on June 1st), 5 cents. For each proprietor reporting live stock not on farms or ranges (whether one or more animals) 5 cents.

Taking the Town Census.

Census enumerator Calvin G. Spicher has completed his statistical interrogatory tour through the township, and began his work in the borough on Tuesday. It will require the rest of this week to complete his work. Calvin has been very successful in his work, and met with little or no trouble. The census in the borough in 1890 gave a population of 441. The present census will show an increase of fully one hundred per cent. It will be a creditable ten years' growth.

Will Hold Union Picnic.

A meeting of representatives of the Reformed congregations of Nittany valley, Bellefonte and Lock Haven was held Monday afternoon, at which it was decided to hold a union picnic of the Reformed churches and Sunday schools in the districts named at Hecla park on July 10 and 20. It was also decided to extend invitations to the congregations at Rebersburg, Centre Hall and Williamsport.

Married in Illinois.

Dr. Peter W. Leitzell, of Spring Mills, was married last week to Miss Minnie M. Musser, of Orangeville, Ill., a daughter of Daniel Musser, a former resident of our valley. The marriage took place at the bride's home. Dr. Leitzell and his bride left for their eastern home after the ceremony and are now residing at Spring Mills, where he enjoys quite a large medical practice.

Great Heat Predicted.

Abbe Mareaux, the celebrated French astronomer has discovered a remarkable spot on the sun, forming a part of an extensive group, and having a diameter of nearly 40 kilometres. This spot, he says, will remain for seven days and become visible to the naked eye. He predicts the appearance of other spots in July, August and September, inferring that the heat during those months will be very great.

Passing Away.

Veterans of the Civil war are dying off at a rate of about 3 1/2 per cent. per annum. Commissioner of Pensions Evans estimated that there are at present about 925,000 survivors of the Civil war. Of this number there were on the pension roll last year 742,467. During the year 24,787 pension veterans died. This number is slightly more than 3 1/2 per cent. Assuming that the death rate among those not pensioned is the same as among the pensioners, the total number of survivors of the Civil war who died during the year would be about 30,855. It is now more than thirty-five years since the end of the Civil war, and Commissioner Evans estimates that the average age of the veterans who still survive is about 59 years. Many are far beyond that age, and it is inevitable that the death rate should increase rapidly in the next few years. The last survivor of the war of 1812 died last summer, seventy-five years after the close of the war.

An Important Decision.

The question as to whether a railroad company has the right to take up a mileage ticket limited to a particular person when presented by another person than the one to whom the ticket was issued, was decided in the affirmative by the Supreme Court of New Hampshire, in Eastman vs Maine Central Railroad. The plaintiff was accustomed to rent railroad mileage books at an advance on their purchase price. The conductor took one of these books from a passenger who had purchased it from the plaintiff, whereupon the plaintiff sued to recover the amount originally paid for the mileage book. But the court denied the right to recover, holding that the conditions on which the mileage book was issued were not contrary to law or public policy, and having violated these conditions the law affords the plaintiff no relief.

Census Advance Notice.

Advance sheets of the census are being sent out, in order that the citizens and the enumerator, who is working by the job and not by the day, may get along more rapidly. The citizen is requested to be ready to answer these questions:

What was your father's name before he was married?

Are you a native of this country, or a policeman?

Why?

Did you get cold feet early?

What was your salary on June 1, 1900?

(a) Actual.

(b) Alleged.

Have you got a cigar about your clothes?

Are you subject to fits or hand-me-downs?

What is your business and why is it none of my business?

When is a hen?—Ex.

Soon to Open.

The new store room in the foundry building to be occupied by Irwin's hardware store, is rapidly getting into shape, and the shelving and counters are now being placed. In the shipment of the plate glass for the show windows, a glass 100 inches by 50 inches was broken. The glass is valued at over \$30. This store will have the first plate glass windows in the town. The room will be ready for occupancy in about a week.

Moving Colleges.

The Trustees of the Susquehanna University at Selingsgrove, and leading citizens of Sunbury, held a conference on Monday, to consider the removal of the University to Sunbury.

The removal of the Evangelical college from New Berlin to some more favorable location, has been laid over for a year to learn of favorable offers.

A Good Thing to Remember.

When a baby cries at an entertainment turn around and look disapprovingly at its mother. She is not pinching it to make it cry, she is trying her best to hush it, and probably had no one to leave it with at home, but that makes no difference. By no means remember that you were a baby once yourself.

Her First Car Ride.

Mrs. David Karstetter and her daughter, Mrs. Susan Ohl, of Logan, and Miss Julia Bower, of Aaronsburg, went to Renova Monday morning on a visit. Mrs. Karstetter is 82 years old and never before enjoyed a car ride nor saw a trolley car until she came to this city Monday.—Lock Haven Democrat.

Bank Must Stand the Loss.

The Supreme Court in session at Philadelphia with two justices dissenting, Monday in an opinion held that a bank or trust company paying a check endorsed with a forged signature must stand the loss of the amount of the check.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION

MCKINLEY AND ROOSEVELT WILL BE THE TICKET.

Both Will be Named by Acclamation Today in Philadelphia.—The Platform for the Trust Champions.

The Republican convention, to nominate candidates for President and Vice President, met in Philadelphia, this week and was called to order by senator Hanna at noon on Tuesday. The city is full of delegations from all parts of the country; the city was handsomely decorated and there were some fine parades, and great shouting, of course.

McKinley having no opposition, his name was rarely mentioned. The Vice Presidency was the all-absorbing subject for which there were over half a dozen candidates, but the name of Roosevelt was upon most lips in spite of his declaration that he would not have it. Quay and Platt, the bosses of Pennsylvania and New York, advocated Roosevelt because his name was in all mouths and the bosses thought of making a popular hit with Roosevelt.

Hanna, representing McKinley, was strongly opposed to Roosevelt because the "rough rider" was put forward by Quay and Platt for whom Hanna has no love. The York state delegation, after a lively wrangle, voted to support Woodruff instead of Roosevelt, and both of Platt's own state.

The committee on organization reported the name of Senator Wolcott, of Colorado, for temporary chairman, and Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, for permanent chairman. The speeches of these gentlemen were loudly applauded by the cohorts of the Trusts and high tariff beneficiaries. After other preliminary business the Convention adjourned to 12 noon, Wednesday, at which session McKinley was unanimously nominated for President, amid the usual shouts, cheers and tigers.

The platform is of the high tariff, trust fostering order, drafted by millionaires and in the interest of millionaires.

The news this, Thursday, morning, indicates to a certainty the nomination of McKinley and Roosevelt, by acclamation, for President and Vice President, the other candidates for Vice President having withdrawn. The nomination of McKinley and Roosevelt will likely be made to-day, and by acclamation. All other candidates have practically withdrawn in favor of Roosevelt, in order that nothing may mar the harmony of the party. Unless there shall be a radical change these two men will head the Republican ticket and champion the trusts and wholesale robbery in many departments.

The Vice Presidency was the bitter subject of contention, between Hanna and the administration on one side and the Quay-Platt machine element on the other side, the latter putting up Roosevelt because he was popular and by such a move show that Hanna could not control the convention, the "rough rider" all the while protesting against being made the nominee. An agreement was reached last night, however, by which all other candidates withdrew, and Roosevelt was fixed upon as the Hanna-Administration choice, and Roosevelt made no farther protest. The move knocked glory out of the Quay-Platt machine, and makes them look glum.

Quay got upon the platform to offer a resolution restricting southern representation. His appearance was the cause of a prearranged wild demonstration from his benches in the hall.

McKinley & Roosevelt are now the Republican choice, upon a platform for high tariff, a bolstering of Trusts, a promise of "Prosperity," favors expansion and gold, but is silent about the ending of the Philippine war.

Around on Their Feet.

The injured by the Centrehill church crash are all able to be about again, slow of motion and oft explaining "just how it was," to the inquisitive. All the men are able to be around and are not confined to the house. The ones more severely injured are Aaron Thomas, who was bruised and had ribs broken, Samuel Snyder, with a sprained back, and Ed. Royer, with bones in the hand broken. These men will be some time in recovering from the injuries. The rest of the men are little the worse for the hard fall.

Tearing Down the Church.

B. D. Brisbin and D. A. Booser have a gang of men at work this week tearing down the Presbyterian church building at Centre Hill, and by the end of the week expect to have all the wood work removed, leaving the brick walls standing. To avoid any possible repetition of the accident which occurred last week when so many men were injured, the girders were braced and safety assured.

Readable Clippings.

An undertaking establishment in Chicago offers to conduct funerals on the installment plan. It issues policies which amount to \$50 when paid up, and which entitle the holders or members of their families to a decent burial.

Two hundred and ninety millions of dollars for poultry, the proceeds of one year, compared with \$186,000,000 for hogs for the same time, tells with emphasis the enormous magnitude of the poultry business. We are still importers of eggs.

California has jumped to fourth place among states in petroleum production. The output there has been 2,292,123 barrels in 1899, and the prospect is that the output for the present year will be much larger than that of 1899.

Mrs. Brown has a goose that is nearly 50 years old. This old goose has laid yearly for 40 years, and each year since 1854 up to two years ago she has hatched and raised goslings. The famous old fowl was given to Mrs. B. by her mother in 1854.—Griffith (Ga.) News.

"Invariably you find the bad men of a town in close association, ready to shield each other in their misdeeds."—Sam Jones.

Foster's Weather Forecast.

About date of this bulletin a warm wave will be in the great central valleys, moving slowly eastward and a warm wave will then be in the Rockies of the northwest.

Temperature of the week ending 8 a. m. July 2 will average below and rainfall will be below normal east of the Rockies; the reverse west.

A great fall in temperature is expected from 16 to 26 on meridian 90; one to three days earlier west, as much later east.

This fall will bring many local showers and these will determine where the July drought will be most severe. Places missed by these June showers will be so dry in July that in them corn will be seriously injured.

This cool wave, expected to cross the continent from 24 to 28, will go near the frost line in some of the highlands of the northern states and Canada.

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses were issued during the past week:

Edwin E. Borst, Pitcairn and Jennie Crain, Milesburg.

Jacob J. Breen, Sober and Ellen F. Stover, Coburn.

Walter H. Weaver, Pine Grove Mills, and Minnie M. Markle, Stormstown.

Noah A. Brungart, Wolf's Store and Blanche F. Grove, Farmers Mills.

Wm. A. Roberts, Bellefonte and Minnie M. Lucas, Howard.

M. E. McDonnell, Altoona and May Paterson, State College.

Harry C. Yeager and Ella Tripple, Bellefonte.

Harry Eiters, Benore, and Anna A. Packer, Yarnell.

FIGHTING IN CHINA.

War has broken out between China and the Powers already resulting in the loss of many lives.

The Russian forces attacked the city of Peking on two sides in a fierce manner. On the night of June 16 the Chinese troops attacked the Legations and fired five European buildings.

The French and German Ministers are reported slain.

Look Out for the Revenue Man.

After June 1 the law prohibiting any prize or premium, or promise of such, in packages of tobacco, cigars, cigarettes and snuff, is to be strictly enforced by the internal revenue authorities. Any violation of the law subjects the packages to seizure.

A Fine Edifice.

The new Methodist church at Lewistown was dedicated on the 10th by Bishop C. H. Fowler. The edifice is one of the finest in Central Pennsylvania, costing \$40,000. A window costing \$5,000, erected by Mrs. Robert Pitcairn, of Pittsburg, in memory of her parents, was unveiled and presented to the trustees.

Woolen Factory Burned.

The woolen factory of Gibbons Bros. near Kishacoquillas, Mifflin county, was destroyed by fire Monday, causing a loss of \$20,000; insurance, \$2,000. The fire was the result of an accident.

Schools Closed.

The subscription schools taught by Prof. B. M. Wagenseller and Miss Anna Bartholomew, closed their term last Friday. They completed a successful ten weeks' course.

Well Represented.

Rebersburg was honored with three graduates at the recent commencement of the University of Selingsgrove, namely, Herbert and Edwin Brungart, and Rev. Herman.

LOCAL ITEMS.

Callings of More than Ordinary Interest from Everywhere.

Bill Johnson's Opinions.

I've allus noticed, fellers, Hit's a risky thing to do To kalkulate accordin' To how things looks to you.

The man 't talks the nicest Don't help you uphill; The one 't prays the loudest Don't allus pay his bill.

Sometimes the biggest fishes Bites the smallest kinds o' baits; An' mighty ugly wimmin Can make the best o' mates.

The smartest lookin' feller May be a reg'lar fool, You're allus kicked the highest By the meekest lookin' mule. —Lee Co. Journal.

On this, the longest day, The old farmers began to make hay.

Cool since Friday last. Our pikes are hard on rubber tire.

Gossip is a weed difficult to down. Correspondents avoid personal flings.

Chances are bright for a large potato crop.

State College advertises a big blow for the 4th of July.

Wm. E. Tate, of State College, was granted a pension, \$8.

Daniel Rote, esq., of Aaronsburg, is on the sick list.

Harvey Yarnell of Pinegrove was allowed a pension, \$10.

Bellefonte borough council appropriated \$500 for the County Centennial.

Samuel Zimmerman, of Milesburg, was granted a pension, \$10.

No self-respecting person will manufacture stories against another.

The aged Harry Miller, of Boalsburg, aged 86 years, is in feeble health.

Our town has more temporarily disabled and bandaged men just now than ever.

John Tate of Bellefonte was granted a pension, \$10; also Solomon W. Fry, of same place, \$10.

A valuable mare of H. O. Fiedler, of Haines township, hung itself in its stall a few nights ago.

Washington Frank and wife, of Rebersburg, have moved to the state of Washington to engage in farming.

Huckleberries, mountain people inform us, will be plenty, except in the sections devastated by the fires.

The rains of Monday and Wednesday evenings of last week, gave the corn and other plants a good start.

The strawberry raisers of this section, Sweetwood and Miss, have had finer berries than usually found in other markets.

The aged widow of Simon Rote, of Aaronsburg, was cheered by a visit from her son Thomas, a resident of Orangeville, Ill.

Baileyville had an elopement some time ago. Upton Haines and his sister-in-law, Annie Walzer, left for parts unknown.

J. C. Burket, a brother of Mrs. Geo. B. Haines of Rebersburg, is in from his Kansas home, visiting friends in Miles township.

Mrs. Joshua Potter was able to be in town end of last week, the first time since her fierce encounter with the bull several weeks ago.

Rev. Herman, who graduated at the Selingsgrove University two weeks ago, has accepted a call from the Rebersburg Lutheran congregation.

We are sorry to be informed that our esteemed friend, ex-treasurer J. J. Gramley, of Hubersburg, was kicked by a horse, causing a fracture of an arm.

Mr. Irvin, who is opening a large hardware store in this place, with his family will move into the vacant Odenkirch property opposite the Evangelical church.

The Methodists have 142 American missionaries in China, the Presbyterians 209, and the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions 110.

Rev. S. G. Shannon several weeks ago resigned as pastor of Bethany Lutheran church, Philadelphia, and has now made his residence in Ocean Grove, N. J.

Lightning killed 11 cattle on the farm of Joseph Elliott, near Uniontown. The bolt struck a large oak tree under which the cattle had taken shelter from the storm. Elliott's loss is about \$600.

During a storm Monday night of last week, a lightning bolt darted in and out of the horse stalls in the barn of S. K. Loucks, at York, killing four mules and two horses, but leaving the building uninjured.

David L. Glover, esq., district attorney of Union county, and Miss Minnie G., daughter of Luther D. Kurtz, all of Millinburg, were married on 12th inst. The family of the bride were formerly residents of Aaronsburg.