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### BITS OF WASHINGTON LETTER

Secretary Wilson, who has just returned from a western trip all the way to the Pacific coast, upon which he went to study agricultural conditions so as to make the work of the Agricultural Department as helpful to the farmers in that section as possible, says the talk about a sentiment in the west against the Philippine policy of President McKinley is all manufactured in the east, and that he did not meet a single "anti" west of Chicago, although he met hundreds of men, in all sections of life. He found the farmers prosperous all through the west, and especially so in the corn belt. He says the wheat crop of that section will be a little short, but that the crop of corn and oats and other products are enormous. Speaking of the annexation sentiment in the west, Secretary Wilson said: "The people of the west understand this question better than do those of the east. They know that Dewey was sent to the Philippines to protect our large and growing trade with the Orient. We have labored to build up a trade with China and Japan, and when the war began Spain had a fleet in Oriental waters ready to attack and destroy our commerce. She also was ready to encourage privateering, and Dewey went to Hongkong to be ready to protect the shipping. He destroyed the Spanish fleet as the safe way to prevent it from preying upon American merchant ships. Had the battle resulted in a victory for Spain rather than for Dewey, the Spanish fleet would have crossed the Pacific to attack our western ports. The people out west realize this, and they also realize that Dewey's victory and the subsequent events which transferred the Philippines to the U. S. have given an extraordinary impetus to the commerce of this country with the Orient. At all the Pacific ports the docks are piled up with goods awaiting shipment to the Orient, and we have not ships enough to carry them. The people of the west regard the Pacific as an American lake, which should be covered with ships carrying the American flag, and I don't know but they are right about that. Why, I went on one big ship, loading at Tacoma, and I found in the cargo lumber, wheat and flour from the state of Washington; butter and eggs from Iowa and Michigan; fruit from California and Oregon; steel from Alabama; cotton goods from the Carolinas; bicycles from Chicago; notions from New England, and something from more than half the states in the Union. This cargo was bound for China and Japan, and it represented every section and nearly every branch of industry in the U. S. It showed me more clearly than I had ever seen before the general interest we all have in this Oriental trade."

### INTERESTING NEWS ITEMS.

A dance was given at the Homestead Saturday evening which furnished great enjoyment to the guests and a number of invited young people from the town.

The Rev. Charles M. Perkins Rural Dean of Burlington N. J. is expected to preach at the Church of the Good Shepherd on next Sunday morning—service at half past ten.

George Cole, of Montague, N. J., is about to begin the erection of a stone house on the site of the one recently destroyed by fire. The building will be the same size as the other and when completed will be a substantial, roomy house, and an ornament to any community. The Deops of Lehman will do the mason work which is a guarantee that it will be a solid structure.

Thursday evening August 17 a very lively and entertaining cake walk was indulged in by Homestead guests. Those especially prominent were Miss Taylor, who impersonated Topsy in capital style, followed first by Mr. Jennings and Miss Treadway second Mr. Townsend and Miss Ferris, third Miss Smalley and Mrs. Vail, fourth Mr. Ferris and Miss Johnson, fifth Miss Moore and Miss Simpson, sixth Mr. Fields and Miss Franklin and seventh Miss Drake and Miss Helen Treadway. And thus they whirled the happy hours away.

### PERSONALS.

Miss Louisa Fay, of Brooklyn, is visiting at the "Anchorage."

Lanty Armstrong, Jr., of N. Y., is visiting with his family on High Street.

Nellie S. Drake, of Scranton, Pa., is visiting her friend Miss Bertha Williamson on George St.

George Armstrong arrived Wednesday night to pass his vacation with his parents on High St.

James E. Ball and wife, of N. Y., have recently been spending a short vacation with friends in Milford.

John C. Cornelius accompanied by his wife was a guest at the Sawkill House over last Sunday.

Mrs. Sabina Drake, of Craigville, N. Y., who formerly resided in the family of the late Samuel Detrick of Milford, visited here this week.

Ned Kleinhaus, of Jersey City, is passing his vacation with friends at Milford and Blooming Grove.

Hon. Thos. B. Reed, of Maine has sent his resignation as Member of Congress, to the Governor of that State.

The Misses Anna and Alice Warren, of Ridgewood N. J., are visiting the family of Hon. Jacob Klaier on Hartford St.

Mrs. S. G. Vanderbeck and family, of Hackensack, N. J., are visiting her father E. Warner on Broad street.

Mr. Wharton, wife and child are visiting Mrs. Whartons sister, Mrs. George Warner at the model farm in Dingman Tsp.

Rev. C. S. Ryman, of Summit, N. J., a former pastor of the M. E. church at Milford was a visitor here this week.

Mrs. Jennie Westbrook and daughter Millie, and Miss DeMotte, of Ridgewood, N. J., came up last Saturday and were conveyed by Mr. Grash to his cottage at Nichecronk, where they will rusticate for a couple of weeks.

Mrs. Edward Reed and son, of Port Jervis, are spending a couple of weeks in Milford, where she is well known, having taught in the Borough public schools.

John Baldwin and wife, of N. Y., who have been spending some weeks at Mt. Clemens, Mich., will arrive in Milford Sept. 1st for their annual visit.

J. C. Fonda, proprietor of the P. J. Steam Laundry in company with his wife and friends dined at the Bluff House Wednesday.

### The Bridge at Dingmans.

Work is rapidly progressing on the new bridge at Dingmans Mr. Perkins, President of the Horseheads Bridge Co., was in town this week on his way to the scene of operations. A large quantity of material, tools, etc., was floated down the river from Port Jervis in scows, and the masonry of the piers and abutments is now being reconstructed. Doubtless our down-the-river neighbors will enjoy the comfort of a new bridge before the year closes, and if a better and easier road can be built across the hill to Layton it will greatly increase the convenience of many in that part of the Valley.

### State Firemen's Convention.

Each fire department has received or will receive a circular issued by Secretary Tannier showing what has been done in the way of arrangements for the State Firemen's Convention which will meet at Scranton, on October 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6. The parade will be held on Thursday, the 5th.

The delegates will be received on Monday the 2nd. The convention will open on the 3rd in the Court House in that city. In the parade prizes will be offered for—the largest uniformed company, the best apparatus, and for the best apparatus. On the closing day the tournament will be held.—Scranton Truth.

### Jolly Party From Monticello.

County Clerk Geo. O. Fraser, of Monticello, New York, made a brief call at the Press office Friday morning. In company with W. F. Wood, of Chicago; W. G. Smith, of New York; Dr. George Schmitt, of Monticello; Joseph Diener, of N. Y., and Mr. Monahan and son also of the Greater city stopped at Milford for a short stay and then drove to Schanno's popular resort where dinner was had and the remainder of the day passed pleasantly away. The party took the 6:30 train from Port Jervis in the evening.

### BRIEF MENTION.

The fair given by the ladies of the M. E. church was well attended and the proceeds amounted to \$125.

If the weather is fair services may be expected at the Sawkill school house next Sunday, Aug. 27, at 2:30 p. m.

Don't forget the New York one dollar excursion leaving Port Jervis at 7 a. m. on Saturday August 26th.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Dimmick, of Woodside, Ma., announce the marriage of their daughter Francis Ed. to Harry D. Gasson which happy event occurred Monday Aug. 21st.

Hon. William Mitchell delegate to the Republican State Convention, which met at Harrisburg yesterday, left town Wednesday to be present at the session.

The school board at a meeting held last Saturday evening appointed Lewis H. Wagner janitor of the Borough buildings for the ensuing year at a salary of \$75.

A number of young people, chaperoned by Mrs. Von der Heyde, enjoyed a picnic at Childs Park Monday.

J. R. Van Duser a well known merchant of Middletown N. Y., and who was known to many here and in Sussex Co., died suddenly Saturday evening Aug. 19th, while at his business place.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Montague church will hold a fair and festival Tuesday August 29th, to which they cordially invite your presence.

The Columbia Fair given by the ladies of the Episcopal church of Milford last week was a highly successful enterprise the receipts being \$409.

The law-suit between Chris. Gebhardt, Pittf. and James Black, Doft, which was on the bills at Hainesville, N. J., for Wednesday was amicably adjusted before trial.

"Chris" Ott, of Newton, Hon. Frank Schor and the Misses Livepenhais, of Milford, dined at the Park Hotel on Sunday last.—Branchville Times.

P. R. Cross of Palmyra was at Milford Monday attending the meeting of the newly elected Republican county committee of which he is a member.

A jolly party of about 18 Milfordites drove to Martin L. Bock's hotel in Lehman Wednesday and enjoyed one of his celebrated dinners.

Hon. D. M. VanAuken spent a few days in N. Y. last week in company with Mrs. C. H. VanWyck; while there a very handsome turnout, consisting of a fine horse and wagon costing \$1,100, was purchased for Miss Happpy.

Do not forget the Gypsy tea on the Van Etten lawn Saturday, Sept. 2, in aid of the Presbyterian organ fund. It will do you good to be there and you will do good, especially if you bring along some spare change.

Commissioners of Wayne County, James B. Keen, Warren E. Perham and Joel G. Hill in conjunction with the Pike County Board let the painting for County line bridges Wednesday, to F. G. Hames as follows: Miller's \$21, Ehrgeod's \$15.75, Bortree's \$17, Ledgedale \$24, Paupack \$33, and Wilsonville \$40. The County bridges at Coreyville and Houcktown were contracted to Wm. Sweepenier for \$5 each and the one over Gifford's Creek to F. G. Hames for \$8.

The storm last Monday night was quite wide spread and inflicted considerable damage in several portions of the State. At Port Jervis the lightning was especially vivid and in one spot near the reservoir it struck in twenty places. The trolley wire in that town was broken and the telephone wires interfered with. Here the wind rose for a short time and some rain fell but no damage was done.

Next Saturday's Futurity Race at Sheepshead Bay, L. I., has many promising entries this year. This is one of the best events of the season in horse-racing and is being looked forward to by many of the greatest horsemen of this country. Of the thirty-eight entries probably not over twenty-five will answer the flag owing to the scarcity of good jockeys available at the present time. In practice some of the running fillies covered six furlongs in 1:15.

### Correcting Last Week's Statement.

In the issue of this year of last week we were led into certain inaccuracies of statement as to the cost of street lighting and the comparison of the relative cost of the lighting of the streets of this Borough with the town of New Milford, Connecticut, which we desire to correct, as follows:

The statement that "if (New Milford) pays, assuming it takes the same number of lights, 40, \$720, for an all-night or ten hour light, we pay \$640, only \$80, less and have light only until midnight, or at the rate of 75 cents for 5 hours; they pay \$360, or \$280, less that we pay for about that service" is incorrect, and the further statement, "that our down-east namesake pays half the rate we pay" is also incorrect, for the reason that we are now informed that the streets of the town of New Milford are not lighted at all by acetylene gas, but with electricity, and the costs of lighting said streets, the length of same being about 2 miles, is \$1512.00 from 18 arc light burners at \$84. each per annum, and these lights are put on at 12 o'clock midnight, and on moonlight nights or so-called moonlight nights, are not lighted at all.

Not wishing to do any injustice to the members of the Town Council of Milford, who made the contract with the Gas Company of this place for seven year's lighting of our streets, or any one, we cheerfully make the above correction.

(The above corrections are wholly based on information received from a member of the Milford Gas Company. EDITOR PRESS.)

### COST OF STREET LIGHTING.

"The Press" and the G. A. R.

Philadelphia has always been a Grand Army town and the approaching annual meeting of the Grand Army promises to outdo any recent gathering in number, in enthusiasm and in full, patient and costly preparation for the welcome, the comfort and the convenience of the city's guests.

Each step in public preparation and payment will be chronicled in "The Press." Committee meetings, plans, programmes, reunions, formal and informal gatherings, stated meetings and special assemblages will all have a space, attention, detail and accuracy equalled by no other paper. As always on these special occasions, "The Press" will give all the views in the best way and in the fullest manner.

But much remains. Personal reunions between man and man are not less important than public. Individual meetings count for as much as the great throngs which will march in procession and gather in the Academy. Many a man will come to this great assemblage of his comrades thirty-four years ago anxious first and chiefly to meet some one comrade unseen for a generation.

"The Press" proposes accordingly to throw its columns open in aid of every such man. From now until the end of the Grand Army Encampment "The Press" will print free of charge all personal requests and announcements by any comrade directly relating to any other comrade, or lost equipment, army news, etc. Beside printing all the news of the Encampment "The Press" desires, in order to make it successful, to open its columns freely to all such announcements by individual comrades which will aid in enabling them to meet each other, to find each other, and to enjoy to the utmost this great gathering, to so many comrades their last assembly before taps are beaten. We take a sincere pleasure, from now on, in offering our columns to each individual Grand Army man for the object and purpose indicated.

Closing Dance at Raymond's Kill Falls.

Remember Chas. B. McCarty's closing dance of the season in the large covered pavilion at Raymond's Kill Falls on Wednesday ev'g, Aug. 30th. A good time may be expected as extensive preparation are being made to accommodate a large crowd. Ice cream and temperance drinks will be sold on the grounds. Horton's stages will leave Milford at 7:00 o'clock and run at regular intervals during the evening. If rainy next fair night.

Got your bicycle crated at Rutans.

### R. B. Westbrook Dead.

The Rev. Richard B. Westbrook, Treasurer of the Wagner Free Institution of Science of Phila., died on Saturday at Pascong, L. E., aged eighty years.

Mr. Westbrook in his lifetime was successively a school teacher, minister of the gospel and lawyer. Born at Dingman's Ferry this county, Feb. 8, 1820, he taught school at the age of seventeen. Later he entered the ministry, withdrawing finally in 1866. He entered the law school of the University of the City of New York, was admitted to the bar in 1863 and received the degree of LL. D. Later he became largely interested in Pennsylvania coal lands, and retired in 1882.

He was also an author of repute. In 1870 he published a work on marriage and divorce; in 1882 a work entitled the Bible, and in 1884 one entitled Man, Whence and Whither, besides others of later date.

He was twice married. His first wife was a daughter of Judge Hall, of New Jersey, who died in 1882. He afterward married Henrietta Payne, M. D., daughter of the Rev. Ara Payne, of Rhode Island. Four children of his first marriage survive, Nathan Bangs, John Hall, Charles Kinsbury and Caroline Armstrong. He is also survived by one sister, Mrs. Jane B. Emerson, of this place.

He was a cousin of Prothonotary John C. Westbrook and an uncle of J. B. Westbrook, of Dingmans.

### MRS. HENRIETTA JACARD REVOYRE.

Another who had considerably passed the four score mark, went over the dark river last Friday morning August 18th, when Mrs. Revoyre was called to join those of her family who had preceded her. She was born at Grenoble, Court St. Andre, France in 1815, and her maiden years were passed in a convent. About 1833 she married Nicholas Revoyre, and after residing some years in that country and Switzerland, in 1848 she immigrated to this land with her husband and located in Philadelphia. Subsequently they revisited their native shore and returning came to Port Jervis where for a time they engaged in the Hotel business and then moved to Milford which place has ever since been her home. Her husband died in 1884 and a son J. Alfred in March of this year. She is survived by one daughter Mrs. Louise Huguenin who lived with her.

The funeral was held Monday conducted by Rev. Father Treis of the Catholic church, and interment took place in the Milford cemetery.

### A Montague Law-Suit.

(From Our Montague Correspondent.)

Before his honor, Sanford Neapass, Esq., an action was tried Monday afternoon brought by Christian E. Gebhardt against James J. Black for work done.

Black's counsel was Warren Van Sickle, of Layton. Gebhardt was in the hands of his father, Godfrey Gebhardt, of Dingman township. The jurors were, Messrs. Gabriel Crone, Grant Cole, Burson Bell, Jos. Hornbeck, Randle Sayce and Martin Cole.

Black brought in a claim for \$3.65 which Gebhardt admitted, while through an oversight Gebhardt failed to prove his own claim of \$13.15, so the jury brought in a verdict of \$3.65 much to the astonishment of the large number of spectators. But the end is not yet.

### One Dollar to New York and Return.

On Saturday August 26th the Erie will run a special one dollar excursion train to New York leaving Pt. Jervis at 7 a. m. arriving New York at 10 a. m. Returning special train will leave 23d St. New York at 7:25 p. m., Chambers St. at 7:45 p. m. and Jersey City at 8 p. m. This allowing over nine hours in which to see the many sights in and around Greater New York. Don't forget the date August 26 and rate only one dollar. 3w.

### List of Unclaimed Letters.

Remaining in the Post Office at Milford for week ending Aug. 26th. Ladies—Miss Kittie Bergen, Miss Hilah Drake, Miss Lottie Wandis. Milford Drug Co.

Persons claiming the above will please say "Advertised" and give date of this list CHAS. LATIMORE, Post Master.

Bicycle Repairing quickly done at Rutans.

### HELP FOR THE STRICKEN.

An Earnest Appeal For Contributions in Aid of the Victims of the Terrible Hurricane at Porto Rico.

A stirring appeal has been made to the people at large by the U. S. Secretary of War for contributions prompt and generous, in aid of the thousands of sufferers left homeless and in starvation by the recent disastrous hurricane which swept over Porto Rico. Accurate reports state that several thousand human lives were lost, hundreds of thousands of once happy homes were destroyed, crops were everywhere utterly ruined and many thousands of human beings are literally starving for want of food. Hungry, homeless, with scarcely any clothing left to cover their nakedness, the unfortunate survivors are, we learn by telegraphic advices, threatened with the additional horrors of a plague. Crowds of women, old men and helpless little ones are encountered on every hand piteously begging for food and shelter.

Over ninety per cent. of the houses have been demolished and in many places the furious onset of the sea has swept away almost every vestige of flourishing little towns and villages. From Adjuntas, Guanaymas, Zabucoa, Mayaguez, Manabo, Arroyo and other localities, the loss of life has been appalling and the cries for help are pitiful and heart-rending. In one district alone, Utuado, over two thousand persons perished, and, as in other southern towns, those who have escaped with their lives are in want.

Mayor Samuel H. Ashbridge and the Citizens' Permanent Relief Committee, of Philadelphia, have organized a Citizens' Porto Rico Relief Fund, and our readers are asked to contribute to it and to send their contributions either to Hon. Samuel H. Ashbridge, Mayor of Philadelphia, or to Messrs. Drexel & Co., treasurers, Porto Rico Relief Fund, 5th and Chestnut streets, Pa.

The U. S. Secretary of War has assigned the U. S. Auxiliary Cruiser "Panther" to Philadelphia from which port she will sail loaded with the food, etc., donated by the big-hearted men, women and children of Penn., who have never failed to respond, heartily and liberally to the appeal of the distressed.

All contributions of money, however small, will be gladly received and publicly acknowledged.

### Fight About Sabbath.

A peculiar fight as to which is the proper day to be observed as the Sabbath, is on at Lake Ariel between the Seventh Day Adventists and those whose opinions differ.

S. B. Fields is a prosperous farmer of Ariel and a Seventh Day Adventist. In keeping with his teaching he regularly observes the seventh day of the week as Sabbath. Last week he was arrested charged, by David Edwards, with having performed manual labor on a day commonly known as Sunday. The charge states that on July 31st, Mr. Fields was engaged in raking, binding and hauling oats into his barn. Mr. Fields does not deny the charge but claims that under the constitution of the United States he is permitted to worship God as he pleases. He also claims that he follows the Mosaic law contained in the ten commandments.

Mr. Fields was fined \$4 and the cost which he paid. He has now appealed the case to the county courts which will be called upon to decide which day is the proper one to be observed as the Sabbath.

In different parts of Sullivan Co. where Seventh Day Adventist preachers have accidentally swooped down on the farmers, several families can be found who observe Saturday as the Sabbath and seem to enjoy the change. Why they make the change in their day of worship is a question for the Seventh Day believers to answer; after having observed and hallowed Sunday as the Lord's day since infancy these poor, weak-minded, easily persuaded victims now cut hay, hoe potatoes and go about their farms working at anything their hands find to do.

It probably makes little difference what day of the week is observed as the Sabbath so long as one is observed, but when the greater part of a village looks forward to Sunday as the proper day for worship, it is a mistaken idea for some few to change the day thinking they are doing the right thing.

### A G. A. R. SOUVENIR.

Everyone Interested in the Grand Encampment Should Get Next "Sunday's Press."

The big G. A. R. Encampment at Philadelphia begins September 4. Next Sunday's "Philadelphia Press" (August 27) will be a souvenir edition, dedicated to the heroes of the Grand Army. It will be filled with valuable information for those who attend the festivities and interesting matter appropriate to this great event in Grand Army circles. Artists and photographers will aid the most skilled writers in making this edition the finest ever published. Be sure to get next Sunday's "Press."

Are you looking for an old comrade, who you believe will be here at the Encampment? Some old friend perhaps in a regiment whom you have not seen for years? If so, "The Daily Press" will help you find him and will print free of charge, all personal requests of old soldiers who will take part in the Encampment and who wish to learn the whereabouts of old comrades. Write to "The Press" and give names, regiment and other details, and address simply "The Press," Philadelphia.

### Real Estate Transfers.

William L. Boyd to James E. Boyd, dated August 18th. Lots 336, 337, Broad Street, Milford Boro. Consideration \$2.

James E. Boyd to Jennie Boyd, dated Aug. 18. Same lots. Consideration \$2.

Solomon S. Speers and wife to Edward L. Schlager, dated Aug. 15th. 28 acres, Lackawaxen. Consideration \$500.

Charles Marvin and wife to Milford, Matamoros and New York R. R., dated May 21, 1898, right of way. Consideration \$200.

Caroline Westbrook et al. to M. M. & N. Y. R. R., dated May 23, 1898, right of way, Westfall township. Consideration \$200.

J. H. Van Etten, trustee to Jos. P. Manly, dated June 6, 183 acres, Palmyra. Consideration \$1070.

Edgar A. Wells and wife to Chas. G. Cortright, dated August 19, one-tenth of 40 acres, Sbohola. Consideration \$12.

Rosenrance C. Bull to M. M. & N. Y. R. R., dated June 1, 1898, right of way, Milford township. Consideration \$850.

Mary A. Armstrong and husband to M. M. & N. Y. R. R., dated June 14, right of way.

Charles Meyer and wife to M. M. & N. Y. R. R., dated August 16.

Annie B. Wood and Oliver D. Wood to Frank Lewis, dated August 21.

### Many Merry Maidens.

All the world loves a beautiful girl. The opportunity will be afforded during the National Export Exposition for the public to feast its eyes on a Congress of real American beauties, a representative from each state and Territory in the person of its loveliest daughter, all to be assembled in a great Beauty Show. The proposition also extends to a representative from Cuba, Porto Rico, the Islands of Hawaii and each of the principal Philippine group. The foreign representatives to have an established reputation for beauty in their respective countries. This will afford an excellent opportunity for comparing our native beauties with those of our new Possessions. Though different countries may assume different standards of beauty, comeliness of person among women is common to all countries and may even be termed international since so many beautiful American girls have taken foreign husbands. Certain it is that feminine beauty is the product of every land that will cause men to work harder, risk more and go farther than anything else unless per chance it is to follow the dream and glitter of gold and even then in most instances it is for the sake of the girl he left behind him.

There can be no doubt about the attention the beauty show will attract.

An interesting case has just been settled in Pittsburg showing the advantages of L. A. W. membership. Dr. C. A. Spicer was run down by a cab and his wheel badly damaged. The matter being placed in Chief Consul Boyle's hands a vigorous investigation was made by C. G. Keenan, with the result that the cab company has paid for a new wheel and other damages incidentally incurred. The moral is apparent; Join the L. A. W.

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