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THE WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 30, 1900.

The Kentucky case was argued today before the U. S. Supreme Court. Gov. Taylor, who has been in Washington in connection with the case, has gone back to Kentucky for the purpose of standing trial under the indictment which permits prejudice has found against him, although he knows that the Democrats think they have the game all fixed to convict him on manufactured evidence. The tenor of the argument before the Supreme Court, may be judged from the following extract from the brief of Gov. Taylor's counsel: "We feel that in this case is involved the question of whether we are political free men or political serfs; whether we have in Kentucky a republic or oligarchy; whether we vote by rights secured by law, or by grace of a few men. It matters not that these men may themselves have been elected. They were given no commission by the people to select a governor for them, and as said by Mr. Jefferson, speaking for himself and his compatriots; an elective despotism was not the government we fought for. We have been denied republicanism, the principle has failed in its duty, and we call on the guarantor to make good its guaranty. We ask for the protection of liberty and property against the arbitrary exercise of the powers of the government."

President McKinley will not be turned aside from his intention to compel the Sultan of Turkey to pay for American Missionary property destroyed in his empire, by sensational publications alleging that Turkey is being encouraged to resist payment by Russia. As a matter of fact, neither Russia nor any other government has intimated in any manner that it had anything to do with or intended to have anything to do with anything this government might feel disposed to do to compel the Sultan to pay this money which he has over and over promised to pay, but it would make no difference if they had. The U. S. has never brooked interference in its business by other governments and it will not do so now.

Senator Scott, of West Virginia, has reason to feel proud of the unqualified endorsement of his right to the seat he holds given by the Senate, when the motion of Senator Pettus, of Ala., to send the resolution declaring Mr. Scott entitled to his seat, back to Committee, with instructions to further investigate, was defeated by the vote of 52 to 3. The three democrats who voted aye might have had more support from their party, if Senator Chandler had not incidentally remarked that the vote on the motion would determine whether the rule established in the Turpie case, that the Senate should not re-open a decision made by a state legislature—would be reversed, and that if it was reversed, it would cover the credentials of Senator-elect Blackburn, of Kentucky, which would have to be considered early in the next Congress.

Democratic leaders—real leaders—are sorry that Representatives Sulzer, of N. Y. and Lantz, of Ohio, two democrats in search of notoriety, succeeded in getting that Congressional investigation of the labor riots in Idaho, in which they have made the democratic party appear as the champion of the rioters and thugs, who, according to the testimony of the democratic governor of the State Gen. Merriam and other respectable witnesses, started a reign of terror in a county of Idaho that could only be put down and held down by the presence of Federal troops. It is a warning to the democratic party against allowing such men as Sulzer and Lantz to pose as party leaders—a warning which will be emphasized by loss of votes.

President McKinley signed a bill providing for the form of government for the territory of Hawaii, which will go into effect in 45 days, and is at present considering the qualifications of the several applicants for the territorial officers, including the governor, all of whom must be citizens of Hawaii.

Senator Chandler has given notice that he will call up the resolution declaring Senator Clark, of Montana, not entitled to his seat, this week, but an immediate vote thereon is not expected.

PERSONALS.

Robert Struthers visited his family over Sunday.

Hon. John A. Kipp is visiting his family this week.

James B. Shoenaker, of Delaware, was at Milford Tuesday.

Mrs. Edith Allen, of Ellenville, was a recent visitor here.

Sheriff Vandermark is in New York on business matters.

Mrs. Susan Grandin is visiting her brother, John C. Westbrook.

Gerald Lewis has gone to rejoin his brother Frank in Canada.

Rev. C. B. Carpenter and wife were in New York this week.

Major C. H. Boyce, of Monticello, was a guest in town recently.

L. F. Hafner and Geo. E. Horton spent last Sunday in Newton.

Mrs. Daughy has returned to her summer home at Conestoga.

Mrs. Blanche Bidlack is again occupying her home on Centre Square.

Mrs. Helen E. Heller has returned to Milford after spending the winter in Chicago.

Charles Nobs came up from Newark this week to his Dingman township home.

L. W. Armstrong, and family, are again occupying their summer home on High street.

Mrs. Clovis Loreaux, of Flatbush, L. I., is visiting her parents, John Hissam and wife.

John A. Watts proprietor of the Vantine House was in the City on business recently.

John Zimmerman and wife, of New York, were at their Delaware township home Sunday.

Rev. C. E. Scudder, pastor of the M. E. church, has been somewhat indisposed this week.

J. B. VanTassel E. S. Wolf and J. C. Bull attended the horse sale in New York last Friday.

B. Kelmel of New York is with his mother at the Lewis house on Harford street for the summer.

Henry Kirk has been spending a few days in New York and is now in charge of Hotel Fauchere bar.

Rev. T. Macbride Nichols, of Germantown, Pa., is visiting his parents at the Maese and incidentally at times offering dainty bits to the wary trout.

Rev. G. S. Garretson, of Dingman's Ferry, returned home Tuesday from New York where he had been attending the Ecumenical conference.

Mrs. H. G. Williamson with Miss Carrie Westbrook, of Blooming Grove, will go next week to Washington for a visit with the family of Hon. J. D. Buddis.

Everett, a son of Walter H. Warner, of Milford township, who has for sometime been in a New York hospital for treatment of his leg is home again much improved.

Dr. W. B. Kenworthy and wife returned from their wedding trip last Sunday having been summoned home by the serious illness of his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Kenworthy.

Frank Deppert who had been an employee in the watch case factory several years ago, and who resides in Newark has recently been visiting friends here for a week. His health, which has not been good, is much improved.

Real Estate Transfers.

Joseph Frick to Geo. B. Quinn, dated April 27. 77 acres Dingman, consideration \$705.

John C. Westbrook and wife to Peter W. Hobday, dated April 28. 75 acres Blooming Grove, con. \$150.

John Wolf and wife to Louis Chatillon dated May 2d. 417 acres Dingman township, con. \$1,260.50.

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BRIEF MENTION.

Pike is just now a pretty black spot. Forest fires have made it so.

Mr. Melins, of Bridgeport, Ct. has rented the wells house on Harford street for the season.

The awning in front of T. Armstrong's store has been repaired this week with a new one.

A new fence is being built along Ann street in front of the property of the Misses Mitchell.

Geo. N. Cole, of Montague N. J., will have a kiln of fresh lime ready for customers tomorrow May 5th.

Mrs. C. F. Seitz, of Dingman Twp. who has been quite seriously ill is considerably improved in health.

The Hotel in Tafton, Paupac township, owned and occupied by Clara Lates Feiden was burned last Sunday morning.

Henry Fulmer, of Easton, is dead at the age of 71 years. He was a wealthy man and owner of the Bennett House in Stroudsburg.

The Kleinhaus family is packing up their goods to send to Blooming Grove, and will not occupy their Ann street house this summer.

The Fifth Avenue Hotel and Madison Square Theatre in New York were sold at auction recently as one lot to W. P. Eno for \$4,225,000.

A meeting of all firemen is called for this Friday, evening at 8:30, at the council rooms by Chief William Angle. Business of importance is to be considered.

The Wheeler family who have for several years occupied a cottage on Harford street, moved their furniture to New York, and we understand will not reside in Milford this summer.

Munkacs, the celebrated painter, died in an asylum at Bonn Tuesday. His two most celebrated paintings, which have both been exhibited in this country, are "Christ before Pilate" and "Christ on Calvary."

The heirs of the late George Nye have sold to Thomas Dunn, of Stroudsburg, their timber in Lehman for the sum of \$2,700, and Ran. Van Gorden also sold to A. Yetter the timber on an adjoining tract for \$1,200.

The catch of shad in the lower Delaware is unprecedented. Eight or nine pound shad can be bought for 10 cents. The largest shad ever caught in this river was taken last week at Penn Grove. It weighed full eleven pounds.

The firemen were somewhat crippled in their work at the fire Monday for lack of sufficient hose. Now that we have a house and facilities for taking proper care of it it would seem wise to provide the ladders with the necessary feet of good rubber hose.

An extensive forest fire raged Monday around Lackawaxen and all along the hills to Rowlands. Con. stably Kelly with a large force of men fought the persistent element with such success as to prevent its burning the town but the forest are devastated for miles.

A syndicate of Bethlehem capitalists has bought several trolley roads in Northampton, and it is said a line will now be built to Stroudsburg. The intention is to connect Bethlehem and Allentown with the slate regions, and the upper Delaware valley and so divert that trade from Easton to those cities.

Metz Brothers are rapidly completing their new summer home hotel over in Dingman township. The lower rooms are celled and lined with metal, and when the house is opened in June it will be in all respects first class. Views are magnificent and extended and the place will be an inviting one for those desiring a summer home.

Forest fires during last week devastated a large section of this county. The woods seemed to be blazing in every direction and thousands of acres were burned over. Joseph Dubois barn in Dingman township Wm. Bessler also narrowly escaped. The slight shower Monday afternoon was a great blessing in checking the fires.

The report sent to the New York papers concerning the fire here Monday were grossly exaggerated, in fact were lies pure and simple. Telegrams of condolence were received by parties which while kindly intended were both amusing and annoying. It is bad enough to have Pike the "one green spot" without having her traduced in other ways by some of those who happen to have the privilege of a press wire.

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STONE HOTEL GUEST LIFTS A V

Frank Hennessy, Sheriff Vandermarks star boarder, who received his discharge Tuesday, desiring a souvenir in remembrance of the pleasant memories connected with his stay at the Stone Hotel, as well as of his landlord, and that individual being adverse to part with a lock of his hair, the boarder quietly possessed himself, just before the time appointed for leaving on Wednesday, of a handsome steel engraving which the Sheriff carried in his coat, and which it would cost just a V to replace. In fact it was a five-dollar bill. The Sheriff had left his coat containing the money hanging in the jail parlor and just prior to the time when he was to convey his guest to Port Jervis he missed the money. The Sheriff made an excuse to go down town and left his ex-boarder sitting in the wagon. No sooner had he started than H. Hennessy, thinking some other place more enjoyable, also left and took across the fields towards the woods. The Sheriff soon returning espied his former ward running away and giving chase soon overtook him. A short tussle ensued during which Hennessy's immaculate collar and tie were somewhat mussed and his back scratched with briars. He was brought back and after acknowledging, on bended knees and with tears in his eyes, the lapse of morality which he gave to Warren Chol who had changed the bill, which was identified by the Sheriff, it having a tear in the centre, and the Sheriff having recovered it from Warren.

Hennessy was then allowed to depart the Sheriff not desiring to prosecute, but should be again become an inmate of the famous old hostelry during the incumbency of its present keeper he may rest assured there will be a warm corner reserved for him.

Boys and Matches.

Probably many of the fires which have a mysterious origin could be traced to matches in pockets of small boys and to their habits of cigarette smoking. If the real truth could be discovered. These pernicious habits the former no doubt begotten largely by the latter, are greatly in vogue among the boys in town. It is surprising to see with what alacrity matches will be produced in a crowd of very small boys. Parents, and perhaps too, teachers in our schools should investigate more closely in these matters. There is little use in trying to teach the baneful effect of narcotics on the system to a boy with a pocket full of cigarettes, who is restless for an opportunity to get behind a barn or in some other out-of-the-way place to enjoy the hidden delight, and there is a constant menace to property so long as boys indulge in the pastime of carrying matches. That older gang which disports around and in by places with the growler should also meet with prompt and effective discouragement. Our citizens owe this duty to themselves and the community.

Zerah S. Westbrook Dead.

Zerah S. Westbrook, of Amsterdam, N. Y., was found dead in the Hoffman House April 29. He was born in Montague, Sussex county, N. J., April 7, 1845. He served in the Fifteenth Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers, in the civil war. He had been president of Amsterdam village, Judge of Montgomery county, N. Y., Deputy State Comptroller and Mayor of Amsterdam in 1897 and 1898. In 1888 he was a Democratic candidate for Congress from the Twentieth New York district, but was defeated.

He was a brother of B. A. Westbrook, of Branchville, N. J., and had recently visited friends in this section.

Our Latest Music Offer

Please send us the names and addresses of three music teachers or performers on the piano or organ and 25 cents in silver or postage and we will send you all of the following new and most popular pieces full sheet music arranged for piano or organ: "The Flower that Won My Heart" now being sung by the best known singers in the country; "Mamie O'Rourke" the latest popular waltz song; "March Mania, Dorey's March Two Step" as played by the famous U. S. Marine Band of Washington, D. C., and five other pieces of popular music. Address, POPULAR MUSIC CO., Indianapolis, Ind.

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A BIG FIRE IN TOWN.

Last Monday afternoon fire broke out in the barn on the rear of premises of A. E. Lewis on Harford street which quickly communicated to the large barn of H. B. Wells adjacent and both were burned. The Lewis barn was also destroyed and the outbuildings, laundry, etc., were on fire several times. Owing to the high wind prevailing and the very combustible condition of shingle roofs fires were kindled on the house of Dr. Kenworthy and John Detrick near the old store house of the Pinchot estate, the Presbyterian parsonage, the houses of Dr. Emerson and Nathan Fuller on Broad street, the barn of William Boyd in rear of his shop and several others. The fire companies were promptly on hand and by dint of well directed efforts, though hampered by a lack of hose, the barns near those burned were saved, but at one time it appeared as though the conflagration might be general. The Wells barn was insured for \$500. It was occupied by the Gumble Bros. who lost some small articles. The Lewis barn was also insured. It is not known how the fire originated, but possibly through the carelessness of some boys.

Dr. Talmage on Woman's Wages.

Rev. D. Talmage, in a recent sermon, eloquently denounces the low wages paid to women. He asks: "Why is it that a female principal in a school gets only \$825, for doing work for which a male principal gets \$1650?" Incidentally, Dr. Talmage expressed the opinion that woman suffrage would not help the matter.

In Wyoming where women vote, it has for many years been the law that all men and women in the employ of the State shall receive equal pay for equal work. In Utah, the news that full suffrage had been granted to women was quickly followed by the announcement that the Legislature had passed a bill by which female teachers, in the public schools were to have the same pay as male teachers, provided they held certificates of the same grade.

Dr. Talmage thinks that woman's ballot would not help woman's wages, because women, like men, often beat down the pay of women in their employ. Individual employers, whether men or women, may often be mean to individual employees, but the government does not discriminate against its women employees in States where half the voters are women. A city government would as soon venture to pass an ordinance that all Irishmen must work for half pay, in a city where half the voters were Irish.

LAURA D. EVANS.

A Bank in Milford.

Robert Warner held began canvassing last week to ascertain whether the sentiment for a bank here could be crystallized into cash subscriptions and met with such gratifying success that the project is practically assured. He has had considerable experience in banking business having been connected with the First National in Port Jervis and also with a bank in New York and is a young man well qualified to conduct the routine duties of such an institution. There is room here for a bank, such as contemplated, with a capital of \$25,000, and it will be a great convenience not only to our merchants and summer hotel proprietors but also to many city people and small depositors in this section, and will greatly tend to keep money in circulation here. The project should, as it no doubt will, receive the support and co-operation of the people in this section and down the valley, who will be greatly accommodated by having a convenient and safe depository for their funds.

Trespass Notice.

The State of Pennsylvania having purchased of J. B. Westbrook and wife their lands in Dingman township (warrant numbers 194 and 188) and in Porter Twp. (warrant number 50, 57, 51 and 51) notice is hereby given that removal of timber or any other property is prohibited and that offenders will be prosecuted.

J. T. ROTHSCH, Commissioner of Forestry.

Otto Korb, Grand Chancellor, K. P. Bonville, Ind. says, "DeWitt's witch hazel save soothes the most delicate skin and heals the most stubborn ulcer with certain and good results." Cures piles and skin diseases. Don't buy an imitation.

Philip B. Clark Esp., of Porter Twp. has been appointed general overseer of the lands in Pike county belonging to the State of Pennsylvania.

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OBITUARY.

Mrs. PAUL VERDIER.

After a life reaching far beyond the allotted period this very estimable old lady passed peacefully away Saturday April 28, at her home in Milford, the immediate cause of death being pneumonia. Her maiden name was Louise Amable Sequetini and she was born in Paris, France, where in the latter part of 1847 she married Paul Verdier. Soon after, Jan. 11, 1848, he with his bride of two weeks sailed for a new home in this country and landed in New York. There they remained for fifteen years coming to Milford in 1863. Mr. Verdier died May 19, 1873 and since that time the deceased with her only daughter, Josephine, who survives her, has continued to reside here. Funeral services were conducted Monday in the Catholic church by Rev. Father Treis, and the remains were taken to Greenwood cemetery Wednesday and laid beside the husband, and a son who died many years ago.

JOHN COOLBAUGH HISSAM.

For some time increasing feebleness has admonished the friends of Mr. Hissam that his life was drawing to a close, and yesterday, Thursday, he passed away at his home on upper Broad street in this village. He was born in Milford township on the farm now owned by Dr. Frazer Aug. 31, 1833 and with the exception of a couple of years spent at Ross Switch he always lived in Milford. July 4, 1860 he married Margery VanAnken who with the following children survive him: Grace, wife of Clovis Loreaux, of Flatbush, L. I. Lizzie, wife of Lafayette Lattimore, Kate, wife of Wm. McCown, Lucian B. and John C. all of Milford. The funeral services will be held Sunday at the house at 2:30. Rev. C. E. Scudder of the M. E. church officiating.

HYMENEAL.

WILKIN—SEYMOUR.

The marriage of Miss Laura Seymour and Frank Wilkin took place at the home of the brides parents, C. H. Seymour and wife on Washington St. Thursday evening. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Lily, of Hope church, in the presence of a large number of relatives and friends.

Fayette Seymour, brother of the bride, was best man and Miss Hannah Moloney was maid of honor. The bride was attired in white organdie and carried a lot of bouquet carnations. A wedding lunch was served and the bride cut the wedding cake and offered it to the guests. The young couple have always resided here where they have host of friends, who wish them untold happiness. Many handsome presents were made as tokens of esteem for them. They will reside in this village.

Among those present from out-of-town were T. Horton Easton, of Otisville, W. Holbert and wife, of Goshen, G. Baker, of Middletown, Mrs. G. Stone, G. Allerton and wife and Hon. J. M. Allerton, of Port Jervis, Mrs. F. Burns, of Greenville, N. J., Fulton Hermon and Miss Kate Herman, of Newburgh, S.

Fishing on the Picturesque Erie.

The Erie railroad has just issued a new enlarged and thoroughly revised edition of its fishing book, which will be of much interest to anglers. It contains accurate information of how and where to fish in the best lakes, streams and ponds on all divisions of the Erie and the New York, Susquehanna & Western railroads within a distance of two hundred miles from New York.

The book is a directory, with concise information as to distances, rates of fare, cost of boats, kinds of fish and the localities in which the best sport may be found. The active interest taken by the Erie in maintaining a high standard of sport along its line is shown by the great number of lakes and streams which, through its efforts, have been thoroughly stocked by the state and National Fish Commission during the past few years. The book is handsomely illustrated and can be obtained by sending three cents in stamps to the general passenger agent, 21 Courtlandt street, New York.

W. H. Shipman, Beardsley, Minn., under oath, says he suffered from dyspepsia for twenty-five years. Doctors and dieting gave but little relief. Finally he used Kodol dyspepsia cure and now eats what he likes and as much as he wants, and he feels like a new man. It digests what you eat.

T. Armstrong and Co. have just received a complete line of mens', womens' and childrens' shoes, the finest ever brought in this town, which you are invited to call and inspect, with an assurance that any taste or desire as to shape, style and quality can be entirely gratified.

Advertisement in the Press.

PICKED UP BY THE RAMBLER.

Straw hats one day. Fur caps and heavy wraps the next.

Miss Bertha Boyd is confined to the house by illness.

Jupiter: Miss Clara Gebhardt has the largest assortment of millinery ever brought to this town. Give her a call.

Shad fishing has begun. Herring seem to be more plentiful than good shad.

William Struble rafted about 1800 R. R. ties last week and took them down the river. John Hance steered the float.

Oh: did you notice how nice our streetlamps are cleaned?

Sheriff VanderMark lost one of his boarders this week. Frank Hennessy having served his time was discharged. The sheriff keeps close watch on his other boarders. Even a night watch is employed.

Forest fires have been illuminating the sky most every night for some time.

Bass can be legally hunted or fished for in New Jersey this season on Decoration day. The new law through some oversight of the Fool killer will not go into effect until July 1st.

Jake VanOrden who with his family gained considerable notoriety over in Montague was last week sentenced by Judge Henry Huston of Newton to 15 years in Trenton State Prison. The old sinner was indicted for incest and rape and plead guilty to the former.

I am glad to hear that Squire Searles of Dingmans is gradually improving.

So some one is anxious to know who your Rambler is? I think it best at present not to tell.

Jake VanTassel has purchased a well matched team of horses of Price Bros. of Branchville.

How far is it from here to Hainesville and how long will it take to bring a load of hay or straw from there? Just ask those lads who tried it last week and turned a load of hay over the stone wall just across the Delaware bridge.

Your Sandyston correspondent speaks of working roads. If he would travel over the river road above and below the Brick house he would find about two feet of gutter mud piled in a windrow in the middle of the road, and this is a progressive age.

Judge Magie, of Elizabeth, Chief Justice of the New Jersey Supreme Court succeeds Chancellor McGill who died a week ago. Judge Magie has for a number of years presided at the several courts at Newton is considered the ablest judge in New Jersey.

I have heard it remarked different times that Miss Maud DeWitt attends to her duties in the Central office of the S. T. Co. better than any other central attendant. Those who made the remark have occasion to know.

Those who know predict a full crop of snakes this season. Quite a number of reptiles have been killed already.

So the Bank project is under discussion again. By the amount of business which is done here and the surrounding country I see no reason why a bank would not prosper here if properly managed.

I hear the M. M. R. R. is on its way down here, but no time has been set when the first train is due.

A large congregation listened to an eloquent sermon Sunday evening by the Rev. Mr. Scudder. He chose for his text the word: "Who will consecrate his services to the Lord this day." Next Sunday evening for his subject. "Sin and Salvation from it."

Unclaimed Letters.

List of unclaimed letters remaining in the post office at Milford for week ending May 5, 1900.

Ladies—Mrs. Frank Mumower, (Miss) Ohstedt.

Gentlemen—Charles Barker, Geo. Findlay, Frank Richard, Harry Stivel.

Persons claiming the above will please say "Advertised" and give date of this list.

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