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THE WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., APRIL 29, 1901.
President McKinley left Washington today on the longest trip ever taken by a President of the United States. The total distance to be traveled by June 15, when the Presidential special is due to return to Washington, is 10,581 miles. President Harrison nearly made as long a trip in 1891, when he traveled 9,228 miles. President McKinley, like President Harrison, opposes traveling on Sunday, except in cases of absolute necessity, and the special train will be side-tracked every Sunday during the trip, the schedule giving the following in order named as the Sunday stopping places: San Antonio, Texas; Del Monte and San Francisco, Cal.; Spokane, Wash.; Salt Lake City, Utah, and Chicago. Four members of the cabinet, Secretaries Hay, Hitchcock and Wilson and Postmaster General Smith, left Washington with the President, and Secretary Long, who has gone to visit his daughters in Colorado, will join him before San Francisco is reached. One car of the special train is fitted out as the President's office and the presence of Secretary Cortelyou and several of the White House corps of stenographers, will make it as easy for the President to transact executive business on the train as he could in Washington. But unless something unexpected turns up, he doesn't expect to give much time to business. There is no need for him to do so, as there is little likelihood of anything having to be disposed of before his return that cannot be handled by the three members of the cabinet, Secretaries Root and Gage and Attorney General Knox, left in Washington. In fact, the business of the government is just now largely routine, both domestic and outside.

Mr. L. C. Willis, Mayor of Shelbyville, Ky., and a good republican, who is now in Washington, thinks the democrats of the state are recovering from their attack of partisan delirium. He said: "I think that daylight is coming for our political difficulties in Kentucky, and it will be a source of much gratification to all of our people. The acquittal of Capt. Ripley by the jury at Frankfort, the hotbed of agitation over the killing of Goebel, is a sign that the court and jury are determined to give the accused man a fair trial. That is all that anybody on either side can ask. This action probably forecasts the acquittal of most of the other suspects who are yet to be tried. There is one noticeable difference between the recent trial and those which were held last year. The Ripley jury were 'drawn out of the wheel,' as provided in the Kentucky law but last year Judge Cantrell, when the panel was exhausted, directed the sheriff to make up the jury. It is pretty well understood what kind of a jury a sheriff will get in such cases."

Attorney General Knox will endeavor to obtain \$750,000 located in several banks as belonging to Captain O. M. Carter, who is now in prison for defrauding the government in connection with the improvement of the harbor at Savannah, Ga., of which he was in charge.

The visit of the Cuban committee to Washington has not only been pleasant but it has been productive of much good. The doubts which the Cubans said they and their fellow-members of the constitutional convention had as to the construction of that clause of the Platt amendment in which the right was reserved by this government to intervene whenever in its judgment it might become necessary to preserve order in Cuba, was all cleared away by the explanations made by President McKinley and Secretary Root, and they now see the establishing of naval coaling stations in Cuba by the United States in a much more favorable light than they did when the matter was discussed in the convention. Those two clauses of the Platt amendment are the only ones that were seriously opposed by the convention. Members of the committee have said privately that they would recommend to the convention when they return, which will be at once, that the Platt amendment be accepted, and have expressed the opinion that the recommendation will be favorably acted upon. The Cubans did a great deal of talking about the general

desire of the people of the island to obtain reductions in our tariff on sugar and tobacco, even after they were made to fully understand that the tariff was a question that only congress could deal with. President McKinley, however, told them that after the Cuban government had been organized, he would be pleased to appoint commissioners to negotiate with its representatives, a commercial reciprocity treaty.

Secretary Hay held quite a reception before he left Washington. Many of the most prominent members of the diplomatic corps intend going to Europe this summer and expect to be gone before Secretary Hay returns. Consequently they called, not only to say goodbye and express their good wishes, but to incidentally put in a word on diplomatic matters. Secretary Hay stated that he had secured the views of a sufficient number of Senators to justify the belief that a new Isthmian canal treaty can be negotiated with Great Britain that will be ratified by the Senate. It is expected that the new treaty will be ready by the time Congress assembles.

An Arrest for Murder.

Early last Sunday morning a rumor was afloat on our streets that a murder had been committed at Pond Eddy and the facts were awaited with considerable interest.

It has developed that one, James Norton, who for some three weeks has been working in a quarry near that place, was wanted. He was a genial companion, more than ordinarily intelligent, and was many friends among the quarrymen. Last Saturday two New York detectives arrived and, securing the services of Constable Bugart, went to the quarry where Norton worked. There they talked with the foreman and the man, noting their glances, apparently became suspicious and suddenly as an opportunity presented took to the woods and although pursued eluded his would-be captors and escaped.

The detectives sent a telegram to Constable Kelly to arrest and hold a man named James Torpey, alias Norton, alias Conway, and accordingly Kelly arrested him at Lackawaxen Sunday night. It is said Torpey years ago resided at Lackawaxen and was a boatman on the D. & H. canal.

The alleged crime for which the man is wanted is the murder of one, Meyer Weisbard, whose dismembered body was found off New York harbor last January.

JOHN KENDRICK BANGS.

Fanciest Flight or Fancy of the Famous Humorist, the Skicyclo.

The most eccentric humorist of the day will revive his famous "Jimmieboy Stories" in next Sunday's great Philadelphia Press, May 5th. The Voyage of Jimmieboy on his "Skicyclo" is told with a snap and humor that is inimitable. Among other things there are some thoughts on riding a bicycle over a lawn mower; rheumatic tires; the Christopher Columbus among skicycles; the danger of puncturing on church steeples, etc. This story will be one of the interesting features of next Sunday's Press. It will be well to order your copy from your newsdealer in advance.

Public Telephones.

Public telephones will soon be installed on street corners in New Haven. They will somewhat resemble fire boxes. On each of the four sides is the well known blue bell. The box is ordinarily locked, but is opened by dropping a coin in a slot. When the door is open the process of obtaining telephonic connection is the same as at any public pay station, the telephone just being hung against the door. When the receiver is hung up the door shuts automatically.

Real Estate Transfers.

John H. Sheen to Wm. H. Crane, lot 809, Matamoras. Consideration \$1.
Wm. H. Crane to Kate Sheen, same lot. Consideration \$1.

Many persons have had the experience of Mr. Peter Sherman, of North Strafford, N. H., who says, "for I suffered torture from chronic indigestion but kodol dyspepsia cure made a well man of me." It digests what you eat and is a certain cure for dyspepsia and every form of stomach trouble. It gives relief at once even in the worst cases, and can't help but do you good.

PERSONALS

Miss Blanche Bidlack is spending some time in Washington, D. C.

Peter Rudolph Pickell, author of "Charity Buns," is visiting his family in town.

W. S. Van Auken, constable of Lehman, was in town Wednesday on business.

Miss Mary Mitchell has been in the city this week replenishing her stock of millinery.

Geo. Youngs and wife of Port Jervis visited the latter's parents here last Sunday.

Mrs. Helen Heller, after spending the winter in New York, returned to Milford Monday.

Mr. Ragot, of New York is spending a couple of weeks on his farm in Milford township.

Wm. H. Armstrong, Esq., is having his house on Broad street repainted by Geo. Slavson.

Mrs. Geo. W. Clark of Port Jervis visited her father's, Rusling Dewart's, family a day recently.

Mrs. John C. Watson and son are making a visit of several weeks with her mother at Dover, N. J.

Mrs. Emilie Biddis and daughter, Mrs. John W. Lyon, of Port Jervis, visited Aunt Fan a day this week.

Oliver Emery of Washington, D. C., and Frank Emery of New York visited their parents a few days this week.

Mrs. W. V. Hilliard and son, who have spent the winter in New York, are domiciled at their home on Broad street.

Mrs. J. H. Van Eiten, after a two months' visit with her mother and sister at Lynchburg, Va., returned to Milford Monday.

J. H. Norton, of New York, an expert in golf matters, came up this week and laid out the links on the driving park grounds.

Arthur N. Roo and wife of Branchville, N. J., were guests at the home of ex-Prothonotary John C. Westbrook over last Sunday.

Miss Mary Matines is home for a few weeks and will supply the place of Miss Jennie Pyne in the telegraph office, who goes on a short vacation.

Honry Guy Carleton, a writer of several plays which have been quite favorites, has been spending several days at the Centre Square Hotel.

Julius F. Huntington, who with his mother and sister has been spending a week at their cottage on Ann street, returned to Lackawaxen Tuesday.

President McKinley, with his party, started on the 10,000 mile journey across the continent and return Tuesday. The trip will be made by special train and consume several weeks.

Mr. Melius, a son-in-law of the venerable Wm. McCarty of this town, who resides at Bridgeport, Ct., will again spend the summer here with his family occupying the cottage just below the Sawkill House.

Ebenezer Warner celebrated his eighty-second birthday Monday. He is more sprightly than many men who do not carry by a score his years and bids fair, in which hope his many friends join, to see far into the twentieth century.

Frank Emery, of New York, made a brief visit with his parents this week. His mother, Mrs. Nathan Emery, Jr., who has for sometime been quite ill with heart disease, does not materially improve and her condition gives her friends considerable disquiet.

Lieutenant Bonifon, now stationed at League Island navy yard, and who was on the gunboat Marietta which accompanied the Oregon on her trip around the Horn on her way to Santiago, visited at The Anchorage this week. He has the distinction of being the youngest of his class in the service.

Unclaimed Letters

Lost or unclaimed letters remaining in the post office at Milford for the week ending May 4, 1901:

Mr. T. Noble, C. T. W. Williams, William H. Hawn 2, Noah A. Polk, G. E. Messick.

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

CHARLES LATTIMORE, P. M.

Chase & Senborn's Old Homestead Java coffee at Armstrong & Co.

All varieties Thorburn's reliable garden seeds in bulk at Mitchell's.

THE PLAIN TRUTH.

A great deal has been written regarding the decadence of the church, and it has become the fashion to charge the failure of the churches to increase their membership to the inability of the clergy to maintain interest in religious exercises. In a recent address by the Rev. George Edward Reed, president of Dickinson College, he recalled the fact that in the apostolic days, to which the critics of the church are so fond of referring, there was great force in the power of the laity in matters ecclesiastical. President Reed thought he detected a tendency in this age toward vastly increased activity in church matters on the part of the laity. This leads to the thought that he has struck at the heart of the matter. While the laity have been finding fault with the clergy, the real difficulty has been that the former have not rallied to the support of their chosen leaders as they have done in times gone by. No clergyman can be efficient in the pulpit without the hearty, earnest, and unremitting support of the congregation. It is too often the fact that the apathy of the congregation has more to do with the decadence of a church than the shortcomings of the man in the pulpit. Many a weak church has been made strong by the leadership of a powerful executive head in the congregation, and many a strong church with a minister of ability in the pulpit has failed because the congregation was weakened by worldliness or destroyed by dissensions.—*Leslie's Weekly.*

No newspaper in the United States, and probably none in the world, has ever included in its list of editors a greater number of distinguished men than the New York Tribune, which has just celebrated its sixtieth anniversary. The list recalls some of the most eminent Americans, and includes Bayard Taylor, Horace Greeley, Charles A. Dana, John Hay, Henry J. Raymond, Whitelaw Reid and George W. Curtis. Great as was the Tribune while Horace Greeley was its presiding genius, covering a period of nearly thirty years, it was then not more influential and was certainly far less profitable to its owners than it has been in later years. For twenty-nine years it has been under the editorship and control of the Hon. Whitelaw Reid, and he has given to it a power, a strength, and financial success far beyond the expectations of even Horace Greeley himself. The Tribune occupies a field of its own in New York journalism. It is conservative in all things, even in its political views. Unflinchingly Republican, it deals justly and fairly with every public question, and is hardly less sparing of offenders in its own party than of those in the ranks of the enemy. It is scholarly in its editorials, accurate in its news, intelligent in its interpretation of public opinion, and it therefore runs on the most even keel of any newspaper in the great metropolis. It is a tribute to the good sense and discriminating judgment of the reading public that, while the Tribune in the midst of all sorts of rivalry from cheap and sensational journals, has rigidly maintained its price of three cents a copy, it has continued to increase its circulation, to strengthen its influence, and to add to its great success. It would be unjust if the credit for this remarkable achievement were not given to Mr. Reid, to whose painstaking care and journalistic genius the credit is solely due.—*Leslie's Weekly.*

It is said to be settled beyond doubt that the railroad from Ellenville to Kingston, N. Y., will be built at an early date. Then after the Stroudsburg-Bushkill road, now in course of construction, is completed, only two short links, from Port Jervis to Bushkill, and from Stroudsburg to Saylorsburg, will be necessary to have a short through route from the eastern states south. That this will be an accomplished fact within a few years there can hardly be a reasonable doubt.

Now is the time when croup and lung troubles prove rapidly fatal. The only harmless remedy that produces immediate results is one minute cough cure. It is very pleasant to take and can be relied upon to quickly cure coughs, colds and all lung diseases. It will prevent consumption.

BRIEF MENTION.

The first genuine thunder shower of the season passed over town yesterday afternoon.

The Hotel Faucher, has been newly painted by Ernest C. Wood and his assistants.

A roomy porch is being attached to the house occupied by W. V. Hilliard on lower Broad street.

Katie Stout of Monroe county is a bride at the age of 13 years, and said to be the youngest in the state.

The will of the late William Woolcock, probated this week, devises all estate to his wife and names her sole executrix.

The Snyder bill to prevent the coloring of oleomargarine to imitate butter passed the House by a large majority Tuesday.

The members of the family of George Perot in Milford township, who have been affected with diphtheria, are recovering.

A Jersey City boy swallowed a dynamite cartridge. His parents will be pretty apt to treat him gently for some time to come.

Grading and clearing up has been in progress during the past week on the Pinchot homestead lot corner Broad and Harford streets.

Two barrels good roasted Rio coffee 12½ cts. per lb.; one barrel Maracabo and Mocha mixture roasted 18 cts. per lb. at W. & G. Mitchell's.

William Holbert, for many years a town charge, died at the home of Sam Bosler, where he resided, early Wednesday morning. Death was due to dropsy.

Samuel Johnson, ex-Surrogate of Sussex county, a prominent business man and highly respected citizen of Newton, N. J., is dead at the age of 68 years.

Lister's standard fertilizers at Mitchell's.

Representative J. B. Westbrook did a commendable act in voting for the Snyder anti oleomargarine bill and deserves the thanks of the farmers of the state.

Professor Thomas Conrad Porter, D. D., LL. D., for a number of years professor of botany and zoology in Lafayette college at Easton, is dead at the age of 79 years.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Milford water company is advertised to be held at the office of C. W. Ball, Esq., Monday, May 6, between the hours of 8 and 9 p. m.

Judge Archbald has appointed E. R. W. Searle, Esq., of New Sedgehanna, as the clerk of the new Federal court for the middle district of Pennsylvania. He will in future reside at Scranton.

The borough will be without a justice of the peace for two days. The commission of William Ang's expires May 4th and that of Frank Schorr, justice-elect, does not begin until May 6th.

The gates of the Pan-American grounds will be open on Sundays from 1 p. m. until 11 p. m. but the Midway and all amusement features will be closed from Saturday night until Monday morning.

The peach crop in Sussex, Warren, Somerset and Huntington counties, New Jersey, promises to be unusually large this year. There is not the usual number of buds on the trees but sufficient to produce a large yield.

Eugene A. Dorflinger, station agent at White Mills, Pa., was killed last Saturday at that place by falling under an Erie train. Both legs were severed from the body, and he lived only a few moments after the accident.

It is now an offence in this state punishable by fine or imprisonment to use certain coloring matters or preservatives in milk or cream which is exposed for sale. Such substances as salicylic acid, formaldehyde and boracic acid are included.

The standing committee on systematic beneficence at the recent meeting of the Milford church: additions past year, \$; membership, 118; total beneficence, 182; average per member, \$1.54; expenses, \$1120.

There are a good many things mentioned in this out-of-joint world. Here, for instance, is a drop of 75 cents per ton in the price of coal just as the robins are preparing to nest. How much more timely it would have been when the mercury was hovering around zero.

ET TU, SIXTO!

Truly, Liberty is betrayed in the house of its friends! The disheartening announcement is made—from Springfield, Mass., too, of all places!—that Senor Sixto Lopez is going home to the Philippines, to join Aguinaldo in accepting American sovereignty and in working for a universal acceptance thereof by his countrymen. Surely, if Freedom shrieked when Kautusko fell, she must have thrown at least thirteen consecutive and tumultuous fits when that ill news was heard. Sixto Lopez recent to the sacred cause of Tagal headchopping! Why, he has been supposed to be carrying the very palladium of liberty about in his trousers pocket. Delgado might yield, and Aguinaldo himself bow the knees to the invader, but Sixto Lopez would remain faithful among the faithless, and from the exposed and perilous outposts of Springfield and the Back Bay would continue to hurl documentary defiance at the foes of freedom.

And now he takes a train for the Pacific Coast, on his way home, and stops off at Springfield between trains to announce to his friends his desertion of the sacred cause—quite as one might happen in to remark casually that the sun had ceased to shine. In fact, the sun must have ceased to shine in Springfield, and over a part of the Back Bay. And the fervor of the Aladdin oven is abated, and the sound of the Garri-sonian lyre is stilled. Et tu, Sixto! This was the most unkindest cut of all. Now let Erving Winslow seek solace in Ilesoo, and Ernest Crosby turn to Tolstoi for succor from sorrow. Alas! Likewise, alack! Alas, then! Moreover, woe is me! By the same token, well a-day! Let us flee unto the Mountains of Repsidam, where the lion roareth and the whang-doodle mourneth for her firstborn!

But as for Sixto Lopez, like his friend Aguinaldo, he seems to be after all amenable to reason and able to see a great light when it shines upon him. Wherefore he is to be congratulated on getting out of the anti-imperialist galley.—*New York Tribune.*

Its Fame Has Spread.

That our driving park has already become known to the sporting fraternity, and as an indication that it will become a famous resort for those who wish to work their speedy animals on the dead quiet so as to surprise competitors when the time comes to exhibit their speed to the public and scoop those who have not been so wary, we clip the following from the always reliable *Gazette* which says, "The old time but always up-to-date sportsman, Dr. Thad. Mead, who is developing the 'fast un, Star Pointer,' this season, doesn't mean to let the boys know exactly what he is doing and Monday morning he worked out Star Pointer on the new Milford track. The boys are on to him, however." That means we assume that the whole Port Jervis sporting fraternity will soon be stealing down here in the early morning hours to work out their flyers.

Pan-American Stamps.

The new Pan-American stamps of denominations from 1 to 10 cents have been issued. The one-cent is green and has a steamship engraved on it entitled "Fast Lake Navigation;" the two-cent is salmon pink with a locomotive representing "Fast Express;" the four-cent is chocolate brown with an automobile; the five-cent has on it a picture of the suspension bridge at Niagara Falls printed in marine blue; the eight-cent is engraved with the canal locks at Ball's Sta. Marie and is seal brown; the ten-cent, of a light brown color, and has on an ocean steamer entitled "Fast Ocean Navigation." They are in size somewhat smaller than the ordinary postage stamp.

Milford Hand Laundry.

The undersigned has opened a laundry on Centre Square Milford, Pa., in the store room formerly occupied by Geo. Dauman, and will do all kinds of work pertaining to the business with promptness and in a neat careful manner. A share of the public patronage is respectfully solicited.
JOHN L. GOURLAY.

Five chests young Hyson tea 60c. lb., worth 75c., at W. & G. Mitchell's.

THE RAMBLER'S PICKINGS.

Always a calm after a storm. Mrs. William Woolcock is improving, and so is the condition of Philip Steele.

Joe West is still very ill at the home of Christie Bull with pneumonia.

William Beck wears a broad smile. 'Cause a young son arrived at his home early Sunday morning.

Ada Lambert is ill at her mother's home on Mott street. She is afflicted with pleurisy.

Miss Almada Boyd has closed her term of school at Dark Swamp.

Work on the race track is progressing finely.

John Krets is unfortunate. Ten years ago while employed by James Heller he broke his left leg. Three years ago he was kicked in the face by a horse, and now he has had his right leg broken in a runaway.

This town should be proud of its fire department. On the slightest alarm the boys drop everything and run, even if their services are not needed.

Last week's *Dispatch* condemns the village lockup and calls it a coop. I should call it a mighty poor hen coop, and not even fit for a dog kennel.

Chauncey Watson will occupy the barn of John Kipp hereafter.

Jake Van Tassel now drives a team of spotted horses.

John Thornton expects several new carriages within a few days.

Gumble Bros new ferry scow has arrived and is now moored in the eddy.

George Gregory is making friends so as to have no enemies in August when the democratic primary is held. He wants to be sheriff of this Pike.

OBITUARY.

DAVID BOYD.

After an illness of considerable duration Mr. Boyd died at the home of his son-in-law, W. L. Boyd, on Broad street early Sunday morning, April 28, of paralysis. He was born June 10, 1823, near Stockholm, Sussex county, N. J., and came to Pike county about thirty years ago, since which time he has engaged in farming in this vicinity. His estimable wife died about ten years ago and he then retired from active pursuits and came to live here. He was a good citizen, of a quiet disposition, attending strictly to his own affairs and by his conduct and demeanor won many friends.

He is survived by two daughters, Jennie, wife of W. L. Boyd, and Lucinda, wife of Henry Ludwig, both of this borough, and one sister, Mrs. Margaret Garretson of Bath, N. Y.

The funeral, conducted by Rev. C. E. Scudder of the M. E. church, was held Tuesday afternoon and the interment was in Milford cemetery.

Conservation of Forests.

The forestry division of the department of agriculture is engaged in drafting a working plan looking to the conservation of timber on a tract of 300,000 acres in Maine belonging to a private corporation. It is part of a general policy to be inaugurated by the department for the conservation of timber land throughout the United States to secure a perpetual crop of timber in the areas under consideration. The private concern will pay all the expense of the work except the salaries of the government experts, who are directed by Professor Gifford Pinchot.

NOTICE

The Stockholders of the company for erecting a bridge over the river Delaware near the town of Milford are hereby notified that an election will be held at the office of the Secretary, Brown's building, in the Borough on May 6, being the first Monday, at 2 o'clock p. m. to choose one president, six managers, one treasurer, and such other officers as they may think necessary to conduct the business of the said company for one year, to be chosen by a majority of votes of said stockholders, by ballot delivered in person or proxy duly authorized.

By order of the board.
J. H. VAN EYK, Sec'y.

WANTED—a tenant for the house on Foster Hill, near town. Apply to Tobias Nelson, Brookside Villa, Milford, Pa.