

THE WASHINGTON LETTER.

It is announced that Ambassador Choate will sail for this country next Saturday to remain until next January. Between this country and Great Britain two great questions are pending, namely, the treaty amendatory to the Clayton-Bulwer treaty relative to the construction of an isthmian canal, and settlement of the Alaskan boundary problem.

The war department has made public the annual report of Brigadier General George M. Randall, commanding the department of Alaska. General Randall says the most important work of the department after providing for the housing and supply of troops was that of constructing the military telegraph line and military road through Alaska.

Wednesday, the 9th of October, Rear Admiral Schley retired from the active list of the navy by age limit. This took place while the court of inquiry was in session. His retirement promotes two captains to be rear admirals.

The exclusion act which now prevents the Chinese from coming into the United States will soon expire. Minister Wu Ting Fang and his brother-in-law, Ho Yow, the Chinese consul general at San Francisco, are working to prevent the re-enactment of that law by congress. It is said the Chinese Six Companies, which control the business affairs of the Chinese in the United States, have levied an assessment of \$2 a head on all Chinese in this country for use in influencing public opinion against the re-enactment of the law and for work in Washington to the same end.

Early in the morning of September 29 the Ninth Regiment stationed at Samar, P. I., was attacked by about 450 bolomen. The attack was a complete surprise and in the fight which ensued three officers and forty enlisted men were killed. The strength of the company was 3 officers and 73 men.

It has been announced that the President and Mrs. Roosevelt will not desire even semi-social intercourse with their personal friends until thirty days after the date of interment of President McKinley. Meantime no gatherings or dinners of a social nature will take place within the family of the president.

Mrs. Roosevelt will receive on three Saturdays in December, the 14th, 21st and 28th, all ladies who desire to pay their respects without formality or cards. This will be a revival of ladies' day at the White House.

The attendance at Grace Reformed church has greatly increased since President Roosevelt became a member. The members of the congregation are contemplating the building of a new edifice at a cost of about \$30,000. A large part of the sum has already been subscribed.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

As the fruit season draws to a close and housekeepers realize how much of a failure it has been and that a Mother Hubbard cupboard awaits the coming winter, it may be helpful to some to recall a few of the recipes for the late fall fruits and vegetables. We would be glad to have The Press patrons or any who desire or feel that they may be helpful to their perplexed sisters send any reasonable suggestions only stipulating that any recipes furnished shall have been tried and found satisfactory.

Ginger Pears.

8 lbs. pears, 1 lb. green ginger root, 4 lemons, 3 oranges, 1 tumbler water. Pare and slice the pears very thin the round way of the pear. Cut lemons and oranges the same way and very thin; boil all together until a rich syrup is formed. The pears must be very hard, the hard or the better.

Pear Marmalade.

To eight pounds of pears chopped fine, six lbs. sugar, four ounces green ginger cut in small pieces, the juice and rind of four lemons, the rind cut in very thin strips; boil the pears and sugar together one half hour, then add the lemon and ginger and boil until clear.

Cold Cateup.

1/2 peck ripe tomatoes chopped fine and drained two hours, 1/2 cup grated horse radish, 4 green or red sweet peppers chopped fine, 1/2 cup brown sugar, 1 ounce celery seed, 1 heaping teaspoon cloves, 1 tablespoon cinnamon; salt to taste, some black and a little cayenne pepper, add 1 1/2 pints of weak cider vinegar, mix well, bottle and cork tight and keep in a cool place.

Value of Potatoes as Food.

The prolific yield, good keeping qualities and pleasant flavor of the potato have long made it a popular article of food. Potatoes are classed as starch food and it is chiefly as starch food that potatoes are eaten. Being starch the potato is valuable as a source of muscular energy, but only in a small degree does it serve to build or repair the body tissue. For this reason potatoes are generally served with foods rich in tissue-making properties, as meats, etc. The country people of Ireland and Germany who live largely on potatoes are thus so poorly nourished. Eaten alone potatoes form a very badly balanced diet. Potatoes which have been stored a long time and have begun to sprout should not be eaten, as they are apt to contain an undue amount of solanin or poisonous substance. There have been numerous cases of poisoning from this cause.

The Drinking of Pure Water.

Occasionally people are met who say they never drink, a statement which we are apt to regard as an exaggeration; but as a general statement this is true. There are people who never drink, in the sense that they never use a cup or glass, and there are a large number of people who certainly drink very little. These people are healthy, do good work, and often with far greater comfort than the person who is constantly drinking. This relates to pure water, which is not generally considered harmful. To the majority, drinking is to a large extent a matter of habit and self-indulgence, with the result that much more fluid is taken than is wanted, and leads to fatbiness and discomfort.

In considering the amount of fluid one ought to drink one must bear in mind the quantity of water contained in our ordinary food. According to good authorities we may take it that we require for ordinary work about three times as much water as of food, while if we look at a table in which the amount of water in various kinds of food is given we find many articles carry with them more than the ordinary proportion. If, however, we partake of fluid in moderation, say 40 or 50 ounces a day, we are the better for it.

Stepped Into Live Coals.

"When a child I burned my foot frightfully," writes W. H. Eads of Jonesville, Va., "which caused horrible leg sores for 30 years, but Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured me after everything else failed." Infallible for Burns, Scalds, Cuts, Sores, Bruises and Piles. Sold by all druggists, 25c.

PERSONALS.

Lancelot Armstrong spent Sunday in town.

Miss Elsie Mott is spending several weeks at Bushkill.

John De C. Van Etten visited his parents over Sunday.

Mrs. A. T. Seeley has gone to New York city for an extended visit.

A party of campers with Mrs. Hart as chaperon is spending the week at Shohola.

Miss Gladys Barnett of Brooklyn, a frequent Milford visitor, is at the Sawkill House for a short stay.

Mrs. Moses Westbrook and Miss Carrie Westbrook of Blooming Grove are visiting friends in Milford.

Mrs. James R. Bull of New York city is spending some time with Mrs. Crissman at her home on Ann street.

Rev. Charles S. Ryman, with his wife and son, Harry, of Paterson, N. J., is spending a week at Twin Lake camp.

Mrs. Ratcliff, Miss Ratcliff and Miss Quick after spending a month at Brink lake camping have returned to Milford.

Mrs. Biglow and Miss Biglow, who have been spending the summer and fall in Milford, have returned to their city home.

Mrs. C. F. Van Inwagen, Mrs. Van Inwagen and Miss Van Inwagen of Port Jervis spent Tuesday in town calling upon friends.

G. A. Sweepster, W. F. Beck and G. F. Rowland are attending the congressional conference at Stroudsburg, which met Oct. 10.

Rev. E. N. Smead, who is at present the supply of the Presbyterian pulpit, spent a few days of last week with his sister at Bloomsburg.

W. V. Hillard, wife and son, Barton, have closed their house on the lower end of Broad street and gone to New York for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. George Pelz, after spending a week with Mrs. Helen Heller, returned to Brooklyn, where they will reside with Mrs. Pelz's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. "Ollie" Ryder of Matamoras, accompanied by Mrs. Ryder's sister, Miss Lillie Buchanan of Milford, started for the Pan-American Thursday.

Hon. Jacob Klaer and family spent last week on their farm in Milford township awaiting the occupancy of John C. Timman of Delaware township, who has been engaged to manage it for five years.

Harry Conser and wife of Scranton, Pa., spent a day in Milford last week calling on friends of former days, among them Mrs. Susan Grandin, whom he had not seen in upwards of thirty years. Yet each recognized the other with but little difficulty.

Miss Florence Loreaux, a daughter of Clovis Loreaux of Flatbush, L. I., returned to her home Monday, Oct. 7th, after spending two months with her aunt, Mrs. William McCown. Miss Loreaux was born in Milford and has made many friends during her stay in town who regret her departure. She will continue her studies in a Brooklyn school.

Driving Park Races.

The last races of the season will be held at the Milford driving park tomorrow, Saturday afternoon.

First a free-for-all trot or pace, purse \$60.

Stockholders' race trot or pace, prizes.

2 1/2 class trot or pace, \$25.

The entries so far are Joseph, J. A. Randle, Topsy, B. Kyle, Dewey, H. Stearns, and Major C. O. D. Carr. Admissions as formerly.

A Fiendish Attack.

An attack was lately made on C. F. Collier of Cherokee, Iowa, that nearly proved fatal. It came through his kidneys. His back got so lame that he could not stoop without great pain, nor sit in a chair except propped by cushions. No remedy helped him until he tried Electric Bitters which effected such a wonderful change that he writes he feels like a new man. This marvelous medicine cures backache and kidney trouble, purifies the blood and builds up your health. Only 50c at all druggists.

WANTED—Team of good horses, suitable for both farm work and driving. Must be gentle and cheap. G. O. SHIELDS, Port Jervis, N. Y.

PROSPEROUS FARMERS.

They are Getting Their Full Share of the Good Times.

Testimony given through the Detroit Free Press from one of the largest savings banks in Detroit that the farmers of the tributary country are making exceptionally large deposits and appear to be contented with the way the world is using them is in the nature of cumulative evidence. Like reports come from almost every part of the country and they carry the greater weight because of an accepted tradition that the farmer is never satisfied. The charge may be false and the suggestion of the present situation is that the promoters of agricultural interest have been slandered, but the explanation is in the exceptional degree of prosperity. The weather conditions of the season have not been all that could be wished, and if there be anything in the world that can throw the average farmer into the tantrums it is the weather.

There was a wall over the prospect for corn and wheat, but we have a surplus of these commodities to ship. Only a few weeks ago there was a doleful announcement that there would not be enough potatoes to go around, but the later crop proved a good one, providing plenty and to spare. It was held as a sad certainty that the drought would produce a fruit famine, yet tens of thousands of bushels of it have gone to waste in the orchards, been fed to the hogs and given away. The country was to wriggle along without enough tomatoes to appease its appetite, but the supply exceeds the demand. As a positive fact there was not to be enough grain to fatten stock for the market, but nothing is called for in the meat line that is not provided without regard to size of the orders.

And the farmer is getting all the best of these false scares. He is receiving top-notch prices for everything he has to sell. In some lines the trusts are helping him because it is their interest to maintain good prices for commodities obtained through him. Incidental to helping themselves the specialists help him in other lines, and the danger with the farmer in this mortgage-raising epoch is that he will become arrayed against the mighty army of consumers who are really providing the sinews of all this prosperity. They are paying more for the privilege of living than they would have to pay were there no manipulation of the law of supply and demand. There is an artificial addition to the actual worth of nearly everything entering into household supplies. But no direct blame attaches to the farmer and the fact that he is prosperous to contentment is a source of satisfaction to the rest of the country.

Capture of Miss Stone.

The missionaries of the American board of Boston located in Turkey and on the borders of Turkey have been exposed to numerous perils during the last few years. The women missionaries are no exceptions. In the mountains of Turkey are brigands whose business is to rob and to take prisoners and hold them for ransom. One of their latest victims is Miss Ellen Stone, a Congregationalist missionary. She and a companion were seized between Banke and Djoumania and are now being held for a ransom of \$10,000. An effort is being made to raise this sum by popular subscriptions. Over sixty thousand dollars has already been contributed and it is believed the entire ransom can be raised within a week.

An Incendiary Fire.

The sleeping inhabitants of the borough were aroused on Sunday a few moments before midnight by the vigorous ringing of the fire bell. The fire was located in a barn on the premises occupied by Mr. Hillard at the lower end of Broad street. The barn was unoccupied and in order to accomplish their object the miscreants had torn off the siding and started the fire in the feed box of a stall. The building was entirely consumed together with some valuable harness and engineering implements.

Congregational Meeting.

The members of the Presbyterian congregation met Tuesday evening and decided to hear three candidates, the third to be the Rev. E. N. Smead, who has for the past three months been supplying the pulpit.

WANTED—Five men to clear timber land at Mashpacong lake, 5 miles east of Milford. G. O. SHIELDS, Port Jervis, N. Y.

BRIEF MENTION.

Born, to Charles B. McCarty and wife, Saturday, Oct. 5, a daughter.

Mrs. Frank Fletcher recently returned home from a pleasant visit with her parents in New York.

The driving park association will hold its last race for the season Saturday afternoon, Oct. 12, at 2 o'clock.

Secretary of State Hay is to receive the degree of Doctor of Laws at New Haven on the occasion of the Yale bi-centenary.

The cup, for the possession of which so many millions have been spent, is a rather insignificant piece of plate of no great artistic beauty, and of no special pecuniary value.

The Girls' club of the Episcopal church held an oyster supper in the basement of the church on Thursday evening from 6 to 9. The supper was served by Frank Van Campen.

On Sunday evening, October 6, Rev. Geo. Gillespie of Port Jervis preached in the Presbyterian church and declared the pulpit vacant with the permission of Presbytery to furnish supplies until the spring session.

The Prohibitionists of Pike county have filed papers nominating the following ticket: Associate Judge, Rev. C. E. Scudder of Milford; Sheriff, J. F. Huntington of Milford; Coroner, A. Griswold of Lackawaxen township.

Samuel Detrick, executor of the late Daniel W. Fisher, will sell at his residence in Dingman township Oct. 17 beginning at 2 o'clock p. m. a lot of personal property, consisting of corn in the shock, beds, bedding, stove, barrels, etc. Terms cash.

Presumably early in the morning before the family had arisen a pheasant came crashing through one of the large bed room windows of the home of J. H. Van Etten scattering glass and feathers over the bed and room and alarming the household by the unusual noise. The bird was secured and found to be unharmed. It was caged as a curiosity.

At the sixth annual exhibition of the Orange County Horse Show association held at Goshon on Saturday afternoon last it is estimated that there were 5000 people in attendance. Governor Odell of New York state with Mrs. Odell and daughter, Estelle, accompanied by a large party, also a large number of people prominent in New York society were among those in attendance.

A leading city newspaper has been for the past twenty years preserving the statistics of lynching in the United States. There has been considerable improvement made in the past ten years. In the more advanced districts lynchings are growing less frequent and in the next decade we may hope for still greater improvement since public sentiment has become so pronounced on this subject and speaks out clearly and strongly against Judge Lynch.

Fine canned peas, equal to French, 12 1/2c a can at Mitchell's.

The recent race between the Columbia and Shamrock II. was the closest in the history of international contests. The Columbia won the third and deciding contest by 41 seconds, so for another year at least the America's cup is safe. Shamrock II. is by odds the best boat that ever came to our waters, just as Sir Thomas Lipton is himself the finest English yachtsman who has sought the cup. Among the many sponsors the American cup has had there has been none the American public would have been more willing to see win the trophy than Sir Thomas Lipton.

For Chase & Sanborn's tea and coffees go to Armstrong & Co.

The swiftness with which the assassin of President McKinley has been tried, convicted and sentenced, as well as the dignity and impartiality with which the trial was conducted, gives new respect for the law and for the methods of courts of justice. On Sept. 6 the crime was committed, the president died on Sept. 14, the assassin was convicted on Sept. 25 and on the 27th was sentenced to suffer the extreme penalty of the law during the week beginning Oct. 28. The trial of Colquhoun which dragged along for nearly three months. Guiteau was executed one year lacking two days after the commission of his crime while Colquhoun will die within two months after McKinley was shot.

Rights of Club Members.

There having been considerable discussion over the effect of the law regarding non-resident gunners, in order to give the public information as to how the state game commission views the matter we publish by consent the following letter:

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF GAME COMMISSIONERS, HARRISBURG, PA. Oct. 3, 1901.

J. H. VAN ETEN,

Dear Sir:—Your letter duly received and my answer has been delayed by the desire upon my part to thoroughly investigate the subject before attempting a reply. I now say as owner or holder of capital stock in a corporation or association in this state is not a real estate owner because of such holding. There is a long line of decisions to the effect that capital stock is personal property for all purposes in this state; the holder, then, of such stock in a corporation or association for sporting purposes would not be exempt from the payment of the ten dollars imposed by the recent act of our legislature requiring "non resident hunters, the same not being owners of real estate in this state, to pay a tax before hunting in this commonwealth." This office also holds that the son of a farmer of this state, said son having removed his residence to another state, may not return to this state and hunt game upon his own father's property, and which will be his by inheritance: this upon the ground that the game of the state belongs to the state at large, and not to any particular class, even though that class may own the real estate upon which said game may be found, and that being so owned the land owner can grant no privileges, whatever, contrary to the general laws of the state. Visitors, therefore, to the club houses in your section can acquire no rights by grant from said bodies. Respectfully yours,

JOSEPH KALBFUS, Secretary of the Game Commission.

Where Women Vote.

Miss Minnie J. Reynolds of Denver, Colorado, one of the speakers at the National Suffrage conference recently held in connection with the Pan-American exposition, gave a careful survey of the results of women's suffrage in her state. Among other things she said:

"Before women were enfranchised in Colorado there was no discussion of politics at home. It was all down town. Nowadays the woman's club and the bosom of the family are the chief arenas for political discussion. Sometimes our good friends and allies, the anti-suffragists, talk as if that priceless thing, woman's indirect influence, was to be lost when she received the ballot. It is not lost at all. It is all there; it is only exerted in a new direction. It isn't so much the things women do themselves as the things they make their men folks do, that tells in Colorado.

"The corrupt politician in Colorado does not like woman suffrage, the idea of these women sitting at home and discussing these things. He can't bribe them, he can't get at them to talk to them. He can fool them for a time, but he can't do it permanently. He has to cover up his dirty work a little closer; he has to take more care about it; it bothers him more. When the tickets are made up there is another element to consider, and along with the Irish vote and the colored vote and the saloon vote, politicians who wish to win have to consider the woman vote also."

Real Estate Transfers.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to Joseph Anderregg, 427 acres, Lackawaxen. Consideration \$15.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to Thomas Whitaker, 188 acres and 27 perches, Delaware. Consideration \$43.18.

Rosario Kintler and husband to Stephen Palmer, 1 acre of land, Dingman township. Consideration \$20.

Boward Offered.

In consequence of the two fires lately occurring in this village, which are without any doubt the work of incendiaries, the town council offers a reward of \$50 for any information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of the guilty parties.

Great reduction in shirt waists at T. Armstrong & Co.'s. Prices now 39c, 55c, 69c and 89c.

THE RAMBLER'S PICKINGS.

Our fire ladders were called out again about midnight Sunday. They were prompt to respond.

J. Victor Rosencrance of Newton was in town last Saturday.

Quick Bros. of Sawkill, having disposed of their excellent farm team, now draw the lines over a neat pair of colts.

George Lattimore is spending a few days with friends in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Charles Zimmermann and family, who occupied the Dr. DePlassac cottage all summer, returned to the city last Monday.

Now is the time to hunt up your last season's overcoat.

Chestnuts are in market.

Very little older is made.

Ramor has it that Thomas Whitaker has exchanged his farm near Silver Lake with J. C. Wallace for a house on upper Water street.

The chap who stole Gumble Bros.' horse and carriage must either be smart or lucky as no trace of man or rig has been discovered.

Those who drove out to Brink pond last Sunday report a first rate time, and such a dinner as the O. P. C. club furnished, it was out of sight.

I notice "Sunny" DeWitt is wearing spurs again. Maybe he will occupy the chair in the telephone central before long.

Within a short time four unoccupied barns have been burned in this town and all located pretty close together. The question is, "How did they get afire?"

Charles Klaer is visiting his brother, Judge J. Klaer, on Harford street.

Grandpa John McCarty now.

Game Suppers the Fashion Here.

The law abiding citizens of Milford have been sorely tempted in the last few days by having quail and pheasant enter their homes through open doors and windows, either seeking protection or like the buck of Blooming Grove fame that walked up to the hunter, who was so paralyzed when confronted with the opportunity to shoot big game that he forgot to pull the trigger of his gun. The buck seeing his dilemma politely refrained from escaping and requested that he be shot, only stipulating that the most approved painless method be used to render the operation perfectly safe and the sensation pleasant. So these guileless quail entered our homes but like the fly of Mother Goose lore, the invitation to enter the parlor was enticing, but who enters once shall ne'er come forth again.

POLITICS IN PHILADELPHIA.

What Durham and Martin Think of the Campaign Which Is Now About to Be Opened.

Caroline Cameron has seen and talked with Israel W. Durham and David Martin on the political outlook for 1901 and will present in next Sunday's Press a remarkably interesting story of the impressions conveyed by these to political leaders. Mr. Durham, in particular, has gone in more or less detail concerning the needs of organization, and his views will not only be instructive to those persons who have had no experience in the field of politics, but will be decidedly interesting to those who have felt, from long experience, that they knew all about the work that is necessary to roll up majorities. If you have not already ordered your copy of next Sunday's Press you had better do so at once.

Tot Causes Night Alarm.

"One night my brother's baby was taken with Croup," writes Mrs. J. C. Snider, of Crittenden, Ky., "it seemed it would strangle before we could get a doctor, so we gave it Dr. King's New Discovery, which gave quick relief and permanently cured it. We always keep it in the house to protect our children from Croup and Whooping Cough. It cured me of a chronic bronchial trouble that no other remedy would relieve." Infallible for Coughs, Colds, Throat and Lung troubles, 50c and \$1. Trial bottles free at all druggists.

Two barrels good roasted Rio coffee 12 1/2 cts. per lb.; one barrel Maccabio and Mocha mixture roasted 12 cts. per lb. at W. & G. Mitchell's.

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