

THE WASHINGTON LETTER.

President Roosevelt is getting very weary of the continued importunities of congressmen and politicians who desire government appointments for their friends or constituents.

I do not intimate that Mr. Roosevelt is not a staunch republican nor that he will fail to use the patronage at his disposal to further the interests of the party.

Rumors concerning the isthmian canal treaty still serve to fill space in the air.

The Plain Truth. Under the above caption Leslie's Weekly makes the following apt comments, which will be commended by thoughtful people as containing the essence of the matter.

The question of our relations with Cuba is a complex and difficult one. Cuban prosperity is largely, if not completely, dependent upon the trade relations she is able to establish with this country.

The republicans in Washington are remarking, with no little amusement, upon the self evident, though so far unexpressed change of heart of the democrats.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Emma J. Baker of New York is a guest in town. Postmaster Lattimore has been quite indisposed part of this week.

Hon. J. B. Westbrook with his wife is spending the week at Buffalo. Jas. R. Ball of New York is spending the week with relatives in town.

W. T. Struble has been confined to his home this week with liver trouble. George Mitchell and Robert Findlay have been spending the week at the Pan-American.

Ed. Quinn of upper Water street has been suffering for a couple of weeks with intermittent fever. Mrs. M. C. Westbrook and daughter, Carrie, of Blooming Grove are visiting relatives here this week.

Ered, a son of Walter Newman, formerly of this place, now of Newark, N. J., is spending a week with friends here. Mrs. Frank Crissman and son, Frank, of Bergen Point, N. J., are revisiting their former home and are guests at the Crissman home.

Mrs. J. C. Bull, Mrs. Maria Klair of Stroudsburg, Miss Huldah Ball and Miss Jemima Bull enjoyed a visit to the Pan-American this week. Miss Anna Irwin of Guymard, N. Y., and Leonard B. Watson were married last Sunday afternoon by Rev. W. O. Chadwick at the M. E. parsonage in Port Jervis.

Rev. Jas. S. Coleman of Goshen, N. Y., a recent graduate of Princeton Seminary, will occupy the pulpit of the Presbyterian church morning and evening next Sunday. Miss Bertha Williamson left today for a visit in Bridgeport, Conn. She will attend while absent the celebration by Yale of the completion of the second century of its existence.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur N. Roe of Branchville, N. J., came over last week and went to Blooming Grove for a few days' visit. On their return Mrs. Roe will remain for several days with her father, Ex-Prothonotary J. C. Westbrook. T. R. J. Klein & Son have taken the agency for Carey's Magnesia Flexible cement for roofing.

OBITUARY

CYRUS CUSTARD. Cyrus Custard, well known to people of this county, especially those in the lower end, died at the home of his daughter in Port Jervis Thursday morning, Oct. 10. He was a son of William and Elizabeth Van Camp Custard and was born Jan. 23, 1819, in Lehman township, about three miles above Bushkill on what is now known as the Swartwood farm.

He is survived by five sons, William, of Dingmans Ferry, Cyrus, of Marshalls Creek, Jacob, of Iowa, George, in New York, Abraham, of Middletown, N. Y., and the daughter with whom he resided, Mrs. S. E. Fuller, of Port Jervis. The remains were taken last Monday to Shawnee, Monroe county, for interment.

Mr. Sarles, for many years a resident of Dingmans Ferry, died at his home early last Saturday, Oct. 13, after an illness of long duration. He was born in 1835 at Bedford, Westchester county, New York. Jan. 8, 1864, he enlisted at Buffalo in the 52d Regiment New York Mounted Rifles and was honorably discharged May 18, 1865, on account of disability.

Isaac Heater, who had always resided at Matamoras, died at his home Oct. 10 after a long illness aged about 64 years. For the past 27 years he had been employed in the Erie shops. He leaves surviving a wife and nine children.

The jury in the Winans Hall case at Bonasdale, who was charged with killing Edwin Schoonover at Lake Ledore last June, brought in a verdict of murder in the second degree. The defendant admitted the killing but alleged self defense.

George Lattimore, who has been in Armstrong's pharmacy during the summer, has secured a situation with the well known drug firm of McKesson & Robbins in New York. He is a bright, industrious young man and no doubt will succeed with his employers.

Ex County Commissioner Wallace Newman, who has been seriously indisposed for some weeks, but who was somewhat improved and able to be out of doors, suffered a relapse this week and is now confined to his room.

The hunting season, under the state law, for grouse and quail opened last Tuesday. Generally it is reported that birds are plentiful and the determination of the authorities to enforce the game laws regarding the sale of game in this and other states will probably tend to increase the number of birds in future by shutting out the pot hunters.

Unclaimed Letters. List of unclaimed letters remaining in the post office at Milford for the week ending Oct. 19, 1901: Miss Sadie Vinson, Mrs. Wm. Smith, Miss Maggie E. Shullenberger, Miss Lou Steinbrocher, Mrs. M. C. Barton, C. H. Hoppie. Persons claiming the above will please say "Advertised" and give date of this list. CHARLES LATTIMORE, P. M.

BRIEF MENTION.

Read THE PRESS if you want news. This state now owns a forest reserve of 324,000 acres. Count Castellana has added fresh laurels to his fame by striking a real fierce wild boar. These pig hunts must be grand sport!

The funds for ransom of Miss Ella M. Stone, the abducted American missionary, have been forwarded by the state department at Washington. A Pennsylvaniaian is said to have discovered a method of tempering copper, which if a success, will expand the use of that metal infinitely.

Herr Most has been sentenced to a year's imprisonment for publishing an alleged seditious article in his paper the day after McKinley's assassination. We were slightly in error last week as to the date for the nuptials of Miss Blanche Wood and J. F. Torwilliger. The happy event will occur Thursday, Oct. 31st.

Cape Nome is in a state of terrorism. Robbers are frequent occurrence, men are sandbagged in broad daylight when caught in lonely places, and sluice box robberies are frequent. Admiral Sampson is very weak physically, and a constitutional difficulty makes it impossible for his system to respond to remedies.

It is expected that congress will be asked to appropriate \$100,000 to pay the expenses of President McKinley's illness and compensation for the surgeons and physicians who treated him. James Young, postmaster at Grand Tunnel, Luzerne county, felt that he getting rich too fast on his salary of thirteen cents a day and resigned. The government is now looking for a successor.

Small pox is breaking out here and there over the state and as this is a cold weather disease every precaution should be taken not only to prevent its appearance but to instantly quarantine any suspected case. Posting your cultivated lands will afford protection from hunters and the Pass office is prepared to furnish trespass notices printed on muslin at very reasonable rates.

The first monument erected at Valley Forge in memory of the Revolutionary soldiers who died there in the winter of 1777-8 will be unveiled and dedicated with appropriate exercises tomorrow. The daughters of the Revolution have collected the funds necessary, about ten thousand dollars.

Mrs. E. D. Gillespie, a great-granddaughter of Benjamin Franklin, died at her Philadelphia home last Saturday aged 81 years. She was a great social leader and an authority on the history of Philadelphia families, knew Stephen Girard and the celebrities of her day and is the author of a work named, "Book of Remembrances."

Last week Mrs. Henrietta Strader obtained a verdict in Monroe against the county for \$16,788 for injuries sustained by her in a bicycle accident at the bridge over Brodheads creek in 1899. Her back was broken. The evidence showed that there was a loose plank in the bridge and that it had no guard rails. Her bicycle struck the plank and she fell over the side.

Build a Creamery Here.

An investigation of sales of butter by different merchants in town reveals the fact that the people here are buying largely the creamery product. Some of the merchants deal almost exclusively in butter manufactured hundreds of miles from this county and others say that the general demand, even when a home made butter of good quality is offered, is for the imported at a larger price.

Which would be the safest end to bet on in a race between a snail and a turtle? Chauncey Watson now drives a horseless stage. The propelling power is a pair of long-eared mules. Falling leaves and building bonfires keep the boys busy.

Rev. C. E. Scudder is happy over the arrival of a young son at the parsonage early Wednesday morning. The family of the Rev. Chas. B. Carpenter has returned to town after an absence of three weeks. A number of county bridges are being replanked before cold weather sets in.

If you haven't been to the Pan-American you must get a move on before the show closes. Dunham Gregory is busy moving into his new residence. Last Races at the Driving Park. The last races of the season were held at the driving park Saturday, Oct. 13, and while the attendance was not so large as usual the sport exceeded that of any former meeting.

The second race, purse \$50, was contested for by Topsy, B. Kyte, Dewey, H. Stearns, Major C., O. D. Carr, Joseba, J. A. Rundle, J. B. Thornton was starter and Dr. W. B. Kenworthy and William Dunaway judges.

W. F. Peters of Bushkill was in town this week and stated that work was active on the railroad near there. He was informed that rails were being laid, that the bridges had arrived and was sanguine that very soon trains would be running to the town. Coal agents had visited the place looking for suitable locations for yards and a schedule of freight rates from Bushkill has been given out.

Work has been commenced on the road from Stroudsburg to Saylorsburg which is the connecting link in a line to Philadelphia. This is extremely gratifying news and we devoutly hope the work will be continued up the valley in the near future. A live railroad will be of inestimable benefit to the people of this section of the county and will bring business prosperity and usher in the dawn of a new era.

What's Your Face Worth. Sometimes a fortune, but never, if you have a sallow complexion, a jaundiced look, moth patches and blotches on the skin—all signs of Liver Trouble. But Dr. King's New Life Pills give Clear Skin, Rosy Hills will be covered with herbs and our farmers will be prosperous and contented.

THE RAMBLER'S PICKINGS.

At the tin pan serenades in town last week beer was plenty. The services at the M. E. church last Sunday both morning and evening were of unusual interest. H. Ludwig, wife and daughter attended the funeral of S. L. Sarles at Dingmans Tuesday.

Port Jervis residents claim the drinking water up there is so thick they have to use knives and forks to handle it and for that reason people drink beer. Down here we have first rate water but at the same time get away with considerable beer.

Rumors are afloat that the last horse race was not fairly decided. Well, we weren't there and don't know. Those who saw it should know. Chauncey Watson now drives a horseless stage. The propelling power is a pair of long-eared mules.

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In the first race, 2.45 class, purse \$25, there were five entries and they came under the wire as follows: Prince, J. B. Westbrook, 4. 1. 4. 3. Friday, Frank P. Heath, 5. 5. 5. 5. Major B., J. York, 3. 4. 3. 2. Doc, A. J. Dillon, 1. 2. 1. 1. Minnie, J. Balmos, 2. 3. 2. 4. Doc took first and Prince second money, time, 2.43, 2.41, 2.44, 2.44.

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