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## THE WASHINGTON LETTER.

On Thursday the senate passed the demerger bill, including the Harris amendment, by a majority of eight votes. On Friday Senator Mitchell of Oregon opened the debate on the Chinese exclusion bill with a carefully prepared speech. This measure will doubtless occupy some time as there are a variety of opinions as to the best method of accomplishing the desired end, although there is some as to the advisability of exclusion.

"The question of an isthmian canal will be considered at this session," said Senator Allison when I asked him as to the chances for canal legislation. "I am not prepared to say what will be the decision of the senate," continued the senator, "but the bill will not be left in committee. The senate will take some action. Yes, it is possible that it will adopt the Spooner resolution. Of that I cannot say, but you may say for me that the matter will be carefully considered." As Senator Allison is chairman of the republican steering committee his statement is particularly authoritative.

Senator Hale, whom I saw later in the day, remarked with a twinkle in his eye, "You newspapers remind me of the man who writes to the justices of the supreme court, when that body was about to consider the income tax law, and asked each what would be his decision. The steering committee is not a public committee, it is a private political organization, but you go first to one member and then to another, asking each his opinion, and before we know it, you know more about the program of the committee than the committee knows of itself." "But the case is not analogous," I replied, "The man had nine stenographers to interrogate, while I have but one stenographer." "But the genial senator does not propose to give away any state secrets," the senator replied laughingly. However, notwithstanding the senator's incommunicativeness, the program now contemplated by the committee, though not officially adopted, will, as predicted in a former letter, place the Philippine bill immediately after the Chinese exclusion bill. It, in turn, will be followed by the Cuban reciprocity bill, and then the isthmian canal will be considered. The various appropriation bills have not yet been placed but will be taken up as opportunity offers. The Indian appropriation bill, having been considered during the "morning hour," passed Saturday.

Present indications are that the Cuban reciprocity bill will meet with a stormy reception in the senate. The democrats have formally notified Senator Platt of Connecticut that they will oppose the measure and one republican senator has also given notice that he will move to amend it so that the president shall be authorized to make reciprocal concessions to Cuba only after the negotiation of a treaty with the new Cuban government confirming the provisions of the Platt amendment. The senator who has given notice of this amendment is one of the most influential members of the senate and it is freely predicted, in the inner circles, that he is spokesman for a small but powerful group of republican senators. These gentlemen fear to trust Cuba and would seek to bind her by a treaty which will be the voluntary act of her own government and whose provisions shall be unequivocal. Such an amendment would, it is feared by the friends of the Cuban movement, seriously retard the application of relief of which they believe the island stands seriously in need. The opposition of the democrats is a matter of surprise as the house democrats have generally expressed themselves as favorable to the concession. Senator Platt is heartily in favor of the bill but would like to see an increase in the amount of tariff reduction and an extension of the time limit.

When the ways and means committee adopted the Cuban reciprocity bill last Monday it was by a vote of 11 to 5 with three democrats voting "Nay." One of these, Mr. Newlands, tells me that his views are gaining strength on the floor of the house and that there will be found many democrats who will vote against the bill, which comes up for consideration tomorrow. Little apprehension is felt, however, by the house leaders, for the sake of the bill, and they predict that it will be passed

within three days. Representative Daisel said yesterday, "I consider the success of the measure in the house is assured."

On Wednesday the house passed the sundry civil bill and on Thursday the senate bill to promote the efficiency of the revenue cutter service. Friday and Saturday were devoted to a consideration of the Chinese exclusion bills, a majority and a minority measure. The democrats have very generally aligned themselves on the side of the minority measure as have some republicans. The difference between the two is not great and consists chiefly in methods rather than in purpose. Many of the Pacific coast members will support the minority measure which is the more drastic in its provisions. Today should, by the rules of the house, be devoted to the affairs of the District of Columbia, but the chairman of the District committee will probably waive his rights in favor of the exclusion bill. There is some hope that this measure may be disposed of before tomorrow so that it will not be necessary to hold it over until after the consideration of the Cuban bill.

The investigation of the "secret report" of Captain Christmas, which cast reflections upon the honor of congress, has degenerated into a farce and there is a general feeling that Representative Richards has placed himself in a very ridiculous position by his resolutions demanding that the matter be investigated. A fair sample of the nonsense on which the report was based was given one day last week when the testimony developed that Christmas had agreed to pay \$50,000 to a man named Knox, and had advanced \$5 to bind the contract. "Because Knox said he knew a man who knew Senator Hanna," Christmas had also advanced \$80 to one Walberg, "proprietor of the International Newspaper Agency," which agency supplied news to three small papers in New Jersey.

Since my last letter James Garfield has accepted the position of civil service commissioner to succeed Mr. Rosenbergs and Frank P. Sargent, Grand Master of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, has accepted the appointment of commissioner of immigration.

## Original Houses Here.

One of the oldest maps of the town of Milford, made prior to 1810 at least, shows fifteen lots built upon. But one of those original buildings is now standing, the house occupied by Dr. Emerson. The lots then occupied were where the present Jarion House is, the one across toward the river, the one where the dwelling of J. C. Wallace stands and one across the street possibly built by Harford, the Emerson house, one where Mrs. M. C. Nyce resides, the two lots where the residence of E. Warner stands, the two occupied by Dr. Kenworthy, two on High street where the large Armstrong house is built, and the two where Moses Davis and James Mollinoux live, and one above where Danaham Gregory's house stands on Catherine street. A history of these houses, by whom and when built would be of interest.

## Unclaimed Letters.

List of unclaimed letters remaining in the post office at Milford for the week ending April 10, 1902:  
D. A. Martensy, Ella Brown.  
Persons claiming the above will please say "Advertised" and give date of this list.  
CHARLES LATTORE, P. M.

## High Pressure Days.

Men and women alike have to work necessarily with brain and hand to hold their own nowadays. Never were the demands of business, the wants of the family, the requirements of society, more numerous. The first effect of the pressure is to keep up with all these things is seen in a weakened or debilitated condition of the nervous system, which results in dyspepsia, defective nutrition of both body and brain, and in extreme cases in complete nervous prostration. It is clearly seen that what is needed is what will sustain the system, give vigor and tone to the nerves, and keep the digestive and assimilative functions healthy and active. From personal knowledge we can recommend Hood's Sarsaparilla for this purpose. It acts on all the vital organs, builds up the whole system, and fits men and women for these high-pressure days.

## PERSONALS.

T. R. Anderson of Port Jervis was in town this week in the interest of Colonial point.  
Kenneth McClurg of Bergen Point revisited the scenes of his youth here for a few days recently.  
Henry Schuyler and Wes. Schooner of Lehman were guests of Ex-Sheriff Vandermark last Sunday.  
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Armstrong, after sojourning for the winter in New York, arrived home this week.  
Hon. J. B. Westbrook yet remains in a Philadelphia hospital but is reported as slowly improving in health.  
Mrs. E. E. Griswold has been spending a week with her sister in Port Jervis while Miss Griswold was visiting in New York.  
A son-in-law of W. H. Eno has rented the Berthold cottages on upper Harford street and will occupy them during the summer.  
Mrs. Fred Wilson and Miss Carrie Armstrong of New York are in town this week preparing the Armstrong house on High street for occupancy by the family.  
Frank, a son of Mrs. Augusta Boyd, formerly of this place, now living in Port Jervis, fell from an engine one day last week and was so injured that amputation of part of his foot was necessary.

## Real Estate Transfers.

Geo. Daumann, treasurer, to commissioners, 2 acres, Lackawanna, taxes; commissioners to G. F. Rowland, same land; G. F. Rowland to Blooming Grove park association, same land, \$25.  
Joseph F. Kasper to Mary Hill Allen, lots in Westfall, Reilly's division, Nos. 27 and 28, \$1.  
John Sommer to Charles Schimmer, 141 acres, Palmyra, \$1.  
Laurestine Hardenbrook to Henry W. Richardson, Shickola Glen property, Shickola, \$1.  
John C. Westbrook to commonwealth, 2900 acres, Blooming Grove, \$500.  
Edwin Drake to commonwealth, 50 acres, Ann Bingham, No. 36, Porter, \$100.

## Post-Lenten Sermons.

Rev. E. M. Sneed, pastor of the Presbyterian church, began last Sunday evening a series of post-Lenten sermons. The texts and dates are as follows:  
Apr. 6.—"Father forgive them for they know not what they do."  
Apr. 13.—"Today shalt thou be with me in Paradise."  
Apr. 20.—"Woman, behold thy son."  
Apr. 27.—"My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?"  
May 4.—"I thirst."  
May 11.—"It is finished."  
May 18.—"Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit."

## Women Voting.

Out in Cleveland, Ohio, Monday the women took a leading part in the election of a school ticket. Fourteen thousand women were registered and most of them got up and voted early. Housekeepers did not allow washday to interfere and shop girls voted on their way to work. Women committees of both parties worked systematically bringing voters to the polls and checking off their names when voted. All was done in a quiet and business like manner without many questions being asked.

## Driving Park Election.

At a meeting of stockholders of the Milford driving park held Monday evening Dr. W. B. Kenworthy, P. N. Bourneque, Thos. Armstrong, Hon. B. E. Brown and J. R. Thornton were elected directors, Robert Findlay treasurer, and Hon. J. J. Hart secretary. Subsequently the directors elected Dr. W. B. Kenworthy president and P. N. Bourneque vice president.

## He Kept His Leg.

Twelve years ago J. W. Sullivan of Harford, Conn., scratched his leg with a rusty wire. Inflammation and blood poisoning set in. For two years he suffered intensely. Then the best doctors urged amputation, but he writes, "I used one bottle of Electric Bitters and 1 1/2 boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve and my leg was sound and well as ever." For eruptions, eczema, tetter, salt rheum, sores and all blood disorders Electric Bitters has no rival on earth. Try them. All druggists will guarantee satisfaction or refund money. Only 50 cents.

## AN OPEN LETTER.

A Republican Enquiry and the Answer.  
Editor of the Press:

I notice by your paper that there are two republican candidates for delegate to the state convention. In common with several republicans with whom I have conversed I am at a loss to know why there should be a struggle for this position unless the candidates are in opposition to the governorship. I have not heard that such was the fact hence cannot understand where there should be such an apparently strong contest. The party is small in this county at best and such strife has a tendency to still further weaken it by creating dissension and animosities. A few years ago we were united, working in harmony and the best democratic majority was being rapidly diminished. Lately there appears to be party contention and we are losing ground. This ought not to be and I would be pleased if you would publish this and give us an explanation, if possible, of the situation. Let the republicans know who or what is responsible for this state of affairs.  
Yours for harmony,  
A. LOSTINE REPUBLICAN.  
Apr. 9, 1902.

## Editor's Reply.

It is with reluctance and with no desire to inject anything of a personal nature in the matter, only so far as may be necessary to give information of the situation, that the writer is induced to reply. Serious maladies demand heroic treatment and the republicans of the county are entitled, if they so demand, to any knowledge at our command. There is, as we understand, no opposition on the question of the governorship. Mr. Angle is a tried and true republican having only the best interests of the party at heart and if elected delegate will carry out the party wishes. It is not a Quay and anti-Quay or Elkin and anti-Elkin contest. It is on the one side a determination to dominate the party in the interest of one man and on the other a desire to carry out the wishes of the party for the best results. In short, the question turns on the appointment of a postmaster in Milford and in order that the real animus may be understood a brief history of the case is necessary.

Dr. H. B. Reed, the present county chairman, came into this place a few years ago from Brooklyn, a stranger to the people of the county. After locating here he expressed a desire to enter politics as a pasture, not having any special occupation, and to aid in building up the party. In the spring of 1900 when the primary election ticket was being made up on the last evening for filing names the county chairman, W. T. Struble, found the ticket one name short for county committee. On consulting with the writer, recalling the expressed wish of Dr. Reed to participate in politics, his name was suggested and placed on the ticket. Being informed, he expressed his gratification for the place and declared his earnest desire to work for the benefit of the party. Soon after W. A. H. Mitchell of this place received information from Easton that the alternate delegate to the national convention was conceded to this county and he was requested to suggest a name. The writer called on Dr. Reed and asked if he would like the position. He again expressed cordial thanks for the remembrance and accepted. The above marks Dr. Reed's entrance to Pike county politics.

During the presidential and representative campaign which followed Dr. Reed practically ignored the republican leaders and followed his own methods. He sought advice and counsel mainly from a young man who comes of democratic ancestry and whose father for two decades or more was a leading democrat.

## A Raging, Roaring Flood.

Washed down a telegraph line which Chas. C. Ellis of Lisbon, Ia., had to repair. "Standing waist deep in icy water," he writes, "gave me a terrible cough and cold. I grew worse daily. Finally the best doctors in Oakland, Neb., Sioux City and Omaha said I had consumption and could not live. Then I began using Dr. King's New Discovery and was wholly cured by six bottles." "Positively guaranteed for coughs, colds and all throat and lung troubles by all druggists. Price 50c and \$1.

## BRIEF MENTION.

Nine inches of snow fell in Pittsburgh, Pa., Tuesday.  
An old-fashioned "nut-cracker" made Tuesday a very disagreeable day.  
Albert Holms, after several years of service with T. Armstrong & Co. as a clerk, will retire from the employ of the firm about May 1.  
Geo. E. Horton, who contemplated removing from town about May 1st, will rent his present residence furnished, provision to be given on that date.  
P. M. Nills, proprietor of the Crissman House, has installed a new acetylene gas machine and soon the hotel will glow with increased brightness.  
Revs. W. F. Randolph and R. G. Lockwood both former pastors of the M. E. church here, were continued last week by the conference as supernumeraries for another year.  
Ryman & Wells have a little talk in their ad this week which will greatly interest the ladies, and perhaps the men, too, for it means fine hats and a large discount on millinery bills.  
In addition to the candidates for governor already announced, Hon. John P. Elkin and Hon. I. H. Watres, many papers in the state are warmly endorsing Col. Wesley R. Andrews of Crawford county for the nomination.

Johnson of Port Jervis still retains his business for "The American Girl" and so many of his customers have likewise become enamored with the charming and useful pieces of personal furniture that he dilates on her charms in a new ad in this issue.  
A notable wedding occurred in Port Jervis Tuesday evening in the Reformed church when Ruth Mitchell Smith, a daughter of John L. Smith, and Henry Harrison Farnum, son of P. E. Farnum, both of that village, were united in marriage.  
Dr. H. E. Emerson has in contemplation the erection of a new residence this summer. Whether he will build on the site of his present house, which is probably now the oldest house in the borough, or select a new location is not fully determined.

Miss Ellen M. Stone, the mission-ary who was kidnaped by bandits and released on payment of a large ransom, has contracted, it is said, to go on the lecture platform. She will likely make a fortune out of the adventure either by lecturing or writing for the magazines.  
Randolph Travis, lately of Montague, the individual who occupied for a time considerable public attention and also for a period a place in Newton jail on account of a quarrel, seems to have deserted his former haunts and disappeared from the gaze of both friends and foes. He has, however, left a legacy as a reminder of his presence, if one was needed.

## Obituary.

DANIEL VAN ETTEEN DRAKE.  
Mr. Drake, who for some months has been in declining health, died at the home of Mrs. S. Augusta Beach in this borough, where he has resided for some years, at an early hour Wednesday morning. He was born about 62 years ago in Dingman township and was the son of Ephraim and Rachel Van Etteen Drake. For some years he followed farming but finally came to Milford to live. He was mustered in the 45th Pa. Regt. Nov. 12, 1864, and granted his discharge March 27, 1865. For disabilities received in the army a pension was granted. He was a member of Col. John Nye's Post G. A. R. Many years ago he married Miss Fannie Cortright of this place but no children were born to the union. He is survived by one sister, Mrs. Sarah Ellen Partridge of Jamestown, N. Y. The funeral conducted by Rev. E. M. Sneed will take place at the house at 2 p. m. today and interment in Milford cemetery.

## Homestead Library.

The books for the library which Jas. W. Pinchot purposes donating the town have arrived and are now being covered and catalogued by Mrs. Georgia Patrikavsky. The collection shows excellent judgment and the works cover a wide range of subjects. When opened the public will have an opportunity of enjoying rare advantages in the way of matter with which to instruct and amuse the minds. No doubt this will be thoroughly appreciated and the library may become a large factor in the advancement of the literary standard and general cultivation of the community.

## Conference Appointments.

Some appointments made by the Newark Methodist conference just closed which are of interest in this section are:  
Dingman's—W. D. Greenman.  
Milford—C. E. Scudder.  
Matamoras—O. J. Shop.  
East Orange—Y. G. Spencer.  
Port Jervis—W. A. Chadwick.  
Jersey City Memorial—W. R. Neff.  
Walpack Centre—A. W. Williver.  
Sparrowhawk—E. H. Alwood.

## The Easy to Feel Good.

Countless thousands have found a blessing to the body in Dr. King's New Life Pills, which positively cure constipation, sick headaches, dizziness, jaundice, malaria, fever and ague and all liver and stomach troubles. Purely vegetable; never gripe or weaken. Only 25c at all druggists.

## THE RAMBLER'S PICKINGS.

We have had our sheep stearn. Street Commissioner Steele did well cleaning the gutters.  
If the beef trust puts another twist on the screws and sends the price of meat a notch higher meat will be considered a luxury only to be enjoyed by the rich.  
We are glad to hear that the Rev. E. M. Sneed is going to remain here as pastor of the Presbyterian church, but feel more than sorry to hear that the Rev. C. B. Carpenter will leave this town.  
Jim Thornton will now wear a stove pipe, which by the way will be very becoming to him.  
Frank Turill, the new assistant postmaster, is giving satisfaction to the patrons of the postoffice.  
It seems almost impossible to have an entirely clear Sunday. Last Sunday morning the weather was beautiful and Old Sol was out in all his glory, yet long before night it rained.  
The family of L. W. Armstrong has returned for the summer.  
Grass begins to look green, leaves are budding, birds are building their nests, and farmers will soon be busy.  
By the death of Daniel Drake this town loses another of its familiar faces and Col. Nye's Post another member.  
Chas. DeKay Townsend and family have moved their residence on Harford street and gone to Atlantic City for a time.  
Randolph Travis of Montague was in town the other day. He has been on the sick list.  
The New York World is filling up its dailies with McAniff matters. When the World gets hold anything sensational it knows how to make the most of it.  
Is "Dory" Bosler going to leave Pike? Rumor has it that he has his eye on a farm in Sandyston. Better not go, Dory, because things are different over there than here.

## Good for Rheumatism.

Last fall I was taken with a very severe attack of muscular rheumatism which caused me great pain and annoyance. After trying several prescriptions and rheumatic cures I decided to use Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which I had seen advertised in the South Jerseyian. After two applications of this remedy I was much better and after using one more bottle was completely cured.—Sallie Harris, Salem, N. J. For sale by A. W. Belch & Son, Matamoras, all drug and general stores in Pike county.

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