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## THE WASHINGTON LETTER.

The provisions of the Chinese exclusion bill continue to monopolize the floor of the senate, the length of the debate having been a matter of surprise to all concerned. The sacrifices which the United States has made in its dealings with the Philippines would go for naught if the bill under discussion were to violate the treaty with China and, as all appreciate the value of the Oriental trade and are equally anxious that nothing shall disturb the "open door," the senators have felt obliged to give the matter most careful consideration before enacting a new law. As the situation now stands a number are in favor of re-enacting the Geary law rather than the bill reported by Senator Penrose. Senator Callom is opposed to the bill because he believes it violates the Chinese treaty and Senator Gallinger has expressed himself as opposed to exclusion. Senator Hoar opposes the bill on the ground that it strikes at men because of their race rather than at vice and concluded a brief but forcible speech with these words: "I will not bow the knee to this Baal. I will not worship the god whom you have set up."

As soon as the Chinese exclusion bill was disposed of, and it was voted on Wednesday at 1 p. m., Senator Lodge called up the Philippine government bill. The bill is the result of some of the hardest work ever performed by a committee and while it does not go far into the future, it aims to give the Filipinos all that they can reasonably expect for the present with the implied promise that in the fullness of time they shall have a representative government. First, however, they must demonstrate their capacity for self-government in local affairs and learn by practical experience the lessons of self control and integrity of administration which are essential to every self-governing community. The house committee on insular affairs has framed a measure providing for civil government in the islands along lines much similar to those laid down by the senate committee, except that the gold standard is made the basis of Philippine currency in place of the silver standard provided by the senate. The minority report of the house committee is also similar to that of the minority report to the senate, in that it provides more explicitly for giving to the Filipinos complete independence.

Ever since last Tuesday the house has been the scene of an interesting struggle between the administration and the beet sugar forces and everything points to victory for the former. A prominent republican, who has vigorously opposed any concession to Cuba, said Saturday, "The last gun has been fired in the defense of the Dingley schedules but I am afraid it has produced no material effect. When such men as Payne and Grosvenor and Long abandon the ship there is little hope left and there now seems to be little doubt that the speaker and the president will have their way in the house. Our plan of taking off the differential on refined sugar, which we realized would have defeated the whole measure, has been practically defeated by those men whom we had hoped to protect. They did not understand it and today there are beet sugar producers in the capitol protesting against it on the ground that they are producers of refined sugar." The democrats have no hope either. They appreciate that any onslaught they may make on the general tariff schedules will be defeated and they will make such an attempt only in a half hearted way.

The debate on Cuban reciprocity has been interesting and instructive. General Grosvenor in a very able speech gave notice that the time was not distant when a general revision of some of the Dingley schedules would become necessary and grow eloquent in his peroration when he announced that the principles of protection were greater than any single tariff bill and the accession of the party too great to be chained to duties which had outlived their usefulness. His speech produced a great effect on the younger members. The fate of the bill in the senate is still in doubt but the pressure from outside is increasing and while some of the opponents of the bill have been talking of delaying legislation until too late for consid-

eration in the senate at this session, the warning has come from the senate that such a course would be met by their attaching a Cuban reciprocity clause to some appropriation bill.

The house committee on agriculture has reported favorably the bill providing for the establishment of the Appalachian forest reserve. The bill carries an appropriation of \$10,000,000 of which \$2,000,000 will be immediately available. Representative Wadsworth, chairman of the committee, recently returned from a trip through the region which the bill proposes to reserve and he told me that he strongly favored the measure. "At the same time," said Mr. Wadsworth, "I appreciate that it is a herculean undertaking. I am in favor of it and yet I am almost appalled at the size of the project." Apropos of this bill, Mr. Gifford Pinchot, chief forester of the government, told me some time ago that the damage in the section which it is proposed to protect by this reserve was almost incalculable. He stated that the loss to property from two storms last year amounted to upwards of \$15,000,000, and he believed that, to a very large extent, this damage would be obviated in the future if the bill should become a law as the conservation of the forests would prevent the rapid melting of the snow and the consequent damage from rapidly swollen streams.

Some of the brightest newspapermen in Washington accompanied the president on his recent trip to Charleston and they have all returned enthusiastic over the president's ability to make friends. "There is no resting Teddy's magnetism," said one of them yesterday at the capitol. "It is simply remarkable. When he has made his proposed trip further south and the trip west, which he contemplates taking after the short session, there will be no talk of any other standard bearer for the presidency. He will succeed himself by an overwhelming majority. The democrats with the best man in their party will be simply not in it."

### Borough Statement.

The auditors' statement just posted shows amount of borough duplicate last year was \$1310.78; excise taxes, etc., \$115.03; paid treasurer, \$1096.01; due from Collector Horton, \$129.74; indebtedness tax, \$651.43; overpaid, \$29.24; settled in full. Poor tax, \$668.88; credits, \$390; due from collector, \$210.00; dog tax, \$94.65; abatements, \$6.41; due from collector, \$88.24; total due from collector, \$428.97.

\$600 of borough bonds were paid last year. The principal sums paid were Water company, \$265.50; Milford gas company, \$500; team work, \$117.90; labor on streets, \$72.60; hose, \$975; E. C. Wood, police, etc., \$100.00.

### What is Woman's Sphere?

Mrs. A. J. George of Massachusetts lately lectured against equal suffrage in Brooklyn, N. Y. She is reported as saying, "Of course one runs the risk of becoming very unpopular by telling a woman that her place is in the home." If a woman's place is in the home, is not Mrs. George out of place in giving lectures a hundred miles away from her home? Mrs. George spends more time in one year traveling about the country lecturing, not only against suffrage but on a variety of other subjects, than it would take her to perform all her political duties for a lifetime. If she can make these long journeys and be away from home for days together, it would seem as if the average woman might take half an hour once a year to go and cast a vote.

### He Kept His Leg

Twelve years ago J. W. Sullivan of Hartford, 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 1½ 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 prescribe satisfaction or refund money. Only 50 cents.

Clay, grass and garden seeds of all kinds at W. & G. Mitchell's.

## PERSONALS

Sal. Rosenkrans of Delaware was in town Tuesday.

Ross P. Brodhead after an absence of several weeks has returned to town.

Allen W. Hornbeck of Matamoras transacted business here a day this week.

F. E. Farum of Port Jervis enjoyed a ride to Milford on Wednesday.

Hon. J. J. Hart and C. G. Wood transacted business in New York a day this week.

Mr. Treible of Shawnee, Monroe county, visited friends in town a few days recently.

H. W. Adams of Hunting Towers transacted business in town Monday.

J. Ed. Nye and family of Egypt Mills were guests of J. C. Ball a couple of days recently.

Joseph Parcell and wife of New York visited the family of Thomas Armstrong the first of the week.

Mrs. M. E. Drake of Brooklyn was a guest with her sister, Mrs. S. A. Beach, a few days recently.

Ex Judge W. H. Crane, formerly of Port Jervis, now practicing in New York, was in town Wednesday.

Mrs. Susan Grandin expects to leave town about May 1 for an extended visit with friends in New Ark, N. J.

Sidney Pendell, formerly a compositor on the Press, has bought the Cuba Times, a paper in Allegheny county, New York, and will in future be its editor and publisher.

Col. A. E. Lewis is in attendance this week at a meeting of the Pennsylvania Society Sons of the Revolution at Philadelphia, of which he is a member.

Dr. H. E. Emerson was called to Philadelphia early Wednesday morning to visit Hon. J. B. Westbrook. Arrangements for their trip south have been completed. They will start tomorrow.

F. C. Plume returned to town this week after an absence of several days attending the funeral of his mother at Waterbury, Ct., who died recently in the south.

Eph. Kimble, formerly of Lackawaxen, now of Senanton, was in town Tuesday night. He, in company with Ed. Malone, was running a raft of logs to market.

John G. Hilliard of New York visited his Log Tavern house last Sunday. He is making considerable improvement in that section and has built an excellent road from the Dark swamp to his place on the west shore of the big pond.

### Real Estate Transfers.

Andrew C. Cron to Ida A. Cron, 210 acres, Delaware, consideration, support, maintenance, etc.

Bertha Louisa Rembach to Robert McMullen and wife, 155 acres, West fall, \$1700.

Katie Joad and others to Robert McMullen and wife, quit claim for above land, \$1.

Abby H. Rosenkrans to Solomon D. Rosenkrans, 73 acres, Delaware, \$2.00.

Abby H. Rosenkrans to Frank Rosenkrans, 50 acres, Delaware, \$2.

John L. Burcher to Blooming Grove park association, 100 acres, part of Jesse Greenfield, No. 78, Lackawaxen, \$250.

Eva Amelia Tigus and others to Mary J. Ruffer, 7 lots in Mast Hope, Nos. 21, 20, 19, 18, 17, 16, \$9.

Mary J. Ruffer et al to Eva Amelia Tigus, lots in Mast Hope, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, \$2.

Mary J. Ruffer to Carrie E. Hughes, undivided eight, etc. lots in Mast Hope, Nos. 1, 20, 19, \$2.

William H. Reed to Margaret Simpson, 25 acres, Lackawaxen, \$25.

### A Ragging, Raving Flood.

Washed down a telegraph line which Chas. C. Ellis of Lisbon, Pa., had to repair. "Standing waist deep in icy water," he writes, "gave me a terrible cough and cold. It 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.

## OBITUARY

### AARON WADE CLARK.

The many friends and acquaintances here of Mr. Clark, who he is well known, were shocked to hear of his sudden death last Sunday. It appears that for several days he had been in depressed spirits, was nervous and afflicted with insomnia. Soon after 12 o'clock Sunday he left his home on East Main street, Port Jervis, and evidently walked over to the Neversink river, which is nearby, and threw himself in the stream. Some men passing the old Gienette property about 3.30 saw a cap, coat and vest in a collar of an old ice house and discovered tracks leading to the water. Search was made and the body of Mr. Clark soon after discovered lodged in some driftwood. It is assumed that he sought death during a temporary aberration of mind.

He was a son of the late Samuel Clark of Hainesville, N. J., and was born in that place September 23, 1830. Nov. 3, 1853, he married Hannah, a daughter of the late Isaac Carmer, also of Sandyston township. In 1881 he removed to Port Jervis, where he has since resided. He is survived by his widow, two sons, Leasiah of Port Jervis, Eugene of Orange, N. J., and one daughter, Jennie M., wife of Ex-County Commissioner James H. Haller of this place. Two sisters, Mary Jane, widow of Matthias Carmer of Port Jervis, and Blondina, widow of Elias Merrill of Montague, N. J. also survive.

The funeral conducted by Rev. T. H. McKeaney occurred Wednesday and interment in Montague cemetery.

### MRS. L. S. MERRILL.

Mrs. Merrill, who had been suffering for some time with a complication of diseases, died at her home in Montague last Thursday aged about thirty-five years. She was born in that township and was the youngest daughter of D. D. Everett. Besides her husband she is survived by her father, two step children, Edna and Elias, and brothers and sisters, John and Harry of Montague, Mrs. J. B. Wood of Matamoras and Mrs. Struble of Branchville. For many years she had been a consistent member of the Montague Reformed church. The funeral conducted by Rev. A. Myer occurred last Sunday morning.

Rev. T. Dewitt Talmage, D. D., died Saturday, Apr. 12, at Washington, D. C. He was born in Bond Brook, N. J., Jan. 7, 1832, graduated from the theological college in New Brunswick in 1856 and the same year was ordained as pastor of the Reformed church in Bellville, N. J. He had been editor of several newspapers and magazines, was an editor of note and celebrated as an eloquent preacher. His sermons were printed in 3600 papers and were translated into several languages.

### Exports of Horses and Mules.

There were exported for the year ending June 30, 1901, from this country 82,250 horses valued at nearly nine million dollars. In the same period the number of mules was 34,405 valued at over three million dollars. This shows a rapid increase in the export trade in these animals for in 1894 the number of horses was only 5,246 and of mules 2,063. In 1894 the total value of horses and mules exported was \$1,349,956 and in 1901 the value was \$12,689,112.

By the above it would seem that the predictions made some time ago as to the future utility of the horse and that this was fast becoming a horseless age have failed of fulfillment. The war in South Africa has given a large impetus to the trade, but the day of the faithful horse and patient mule is far from being over and prices are likely to be well maintained for some years.

Randolph Travis of Montague, N. J., notwithstanding reports to the contrary, is yet a resident in this vicinity. He was in town Tuesday.

### "It's 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 headache, dizziness, jaundice, malaria, fever and ague and all liver and stomach troubles. Purely vegetable; never grips or weakens. Only 25c at all druggists.

## BRIEF MENTION.

Rev. Francis E. Smith of New Rochelle, N. Y., has accepted a call to the Presbyterian church in Port Jervis.

F. W. Ellenberger, who has bought a large number of ties in this section this spring, has them nearly all rafted for market. They will go to the Water Gap.

The county commissioners recede the work of building the abutment of the bridge at Struble's mill Monday when Thomas Armstrong secured the contract for \$400. The former offer was \$350.

It is current rumor that Charles G. Wood will soon engage in the insurance business, he having secured the agency, it is said, of several old established fire and life companies.

Dunham Gregory, tax collector for the borough, has posted notices of the time for making payments which are usual will be in July in order to receive the benefit of the 6%.

Geo. E. Horton, preparatory to removing to Branchville, N. J., has advertised his large stock of wagons, harness and farming implements for sale May 1. Wash Lantz will be the auctioneer.

Hon. J. B. Westbrook, whose health does not materially improve and who has been in a Philadelphia hospital, contemplates a trip south by water and if able will start tomorrow. He will be accompanied by his wife and Dr. H. E. and Mrs. Emerson.

At a meeting of the Presbyterian congregation held Monday evening, presided over by Rev. Theron Brittain of Middletown, a formal call was made out to Rev. E. M. Smead to become the pastor. This call Mr. Smead will accept and in due time his installation and ordination will follow.

The county commissioners made a trip up the county Tuesday on bridge business. The expense connected with rebuilding and repairing the bridges damaged or washed away by the freshet last December will probably amount to several thousand dollars. Conservative estimates make the loss over \$5000.

Rev. C. S. Ryman, D. D., presiding elder of this conference, delivered a very interesting address on Paris last Friday night in Brown's hall. His talk was replete with information and plotted the beautiful and frivolous city so that one could almost fancy he was standing within its confines.

The meat trust has forced prices up until the average advance is about 8 cents a pound. This, too, in face of the fact that there are more cattle in the country now than usual. The rise has also affected the fish market and had a considerable higher than formerly. What are called embalmed goods, that is, canned meats, are being largely put on the market but the sale is slow.

The papers report that Senator Quay has declared against the candidacy of Hon. John P. Elkin for governor on the ground that his nomination might jeopardize the election of several congressmen and members of the legislature. As the senator has not signified his choice politicians are busy guessing and perhaps a few dodging led gubernatorial lightning may strike in their locality and endanger their peace of mind.

Homer Sarvis, accused of the murder of Frank Henderson eight years ago, is now on trial in the Orange county court. After the crime he disappeared and a conversation by tramps, overheard by a detective, revealed that he was doing time in a Pennsylvania penitentiary. At the expiration of the sentence he was taken back and is now being tried for the crime.

The will of Peter A. L. Quick, late of Delaware, deceased, has been admitted to probate. The estate is divided between his children deducting advances made to each. The wife receives the furniture and her dower rights. Lena C. Cole is executrix.

J. C. Schorr has cleared out an unsightly hedge along the upper end of Blackberry alley, which greatly improves the appearance in that neighborhood. There are other places in town where similar work should be done. It is really inconceivable why some property owners do not see the propriety of doing a little clearing up when it would add so much to the neatness of the town.

## Woman Suffrage.

We suspicion that it is true enough that a woman would obstruct the polls by refusing to vote until she was sure her hat was on straight, but we also suspicion that she would more than make up for this by seeing that her conscience was on straight too, which is a point that is absent mindedly neglected by many an image of his Maker that wears pants.

Some persons that mistake a bad liver for cynicism often hint around that women would be sure to vote for the handsome candidates only. In looking over the portraits of the respected fellow citizens that run all over the United States this year for offices of all kinds from constable to congress, it struck us that if women had to cast their ballots for handsome men, they wouldn't be likely to roll up a real heavy vote anywhere in this country.

We never could prevail on ourselves to take much stock in the theory that women like handsome men. They certainly don't seem to marry them.

It is true that women would be handicapped in politics because they can't well hang over a bar; and we note that few men can get a real close knowledge of the issue of the day until after the third drink. Women might have to use intuition instead of the more reliable and better known brands of rum to find out how she ought to vote. Intuition is a female talent that is despised by man, but it is a good deal less noisy than his talents and does not produce nigh as bad a taste in the mouth next morning.

When woman has the suffrage it is not likely that she will make election bets never to wash or comb her hair or to wheel another woman through town in a barrow if her candidate ain't elected. She also will probably be content to consider that election is over when the votes are counted. Perhaps she will feel badly for awhile and say that the other side is a mean thing, but after that she will see that the children are dressed and sent to school as usual and she won't spend the rest of the week in a gimball explaining how it happened and tapering off.

If woman should bet a hat on the election and lose she would probably pay her bet. We admit that this would be an outrageous innovation and a blow at the bulwarks of the republic. It is the only danger we can see in woman suffrage.

### New York Press.

### Sleight-of-Hand Entertainment.

Prof. Krieger of New York city, well known in the art of conjuring, is coming to Milford next Monday evening.

Last year it was the pleasure of the Boys' Guild to invite their friends to a delightful entertainment in Brown's hall. The Guild members would like to enjoy the same privilege at this time, but the heavy expenses necessary in securing Prof. Krieger demand a more practical method. Admission to the members of the Guild will be free. Adult tickets are 25 cents, children's tickets 15 cents.

Prof. Krieger has a program including many very wonderful sleight-of-hand performances. He is a delightful entertainer and it is no vain boast to assert that the evening will be one of exceptional enjoyment.—Monday evening, April 21, at 8 o'clock.

### Trout Fishing Poor.

Reports from different parts of the state indicate that trout fishing, the season for which opened Tuesday, was generally poor, the catches small and the trout of rather inferior size. The latter is attributed in some places to the fact that the state sends out such small fry, and it is thought no trout less than one year old should be supplied. The cold weather was a damper on the fish and fishermen.

### 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 Jerseyman. After two applications of this remedy I was much better and after using one bottle was completely cured.—Sallie Harris, Salem, N. J. For sale by A. W. Balch & Son, Matamoras, all drug and general stores in Pike county.

## THE RAMBLER'S PICKINGS.

In union there is strength. When the doctors disagree—the other fellow divides.

Have you seen Tom Armstrong's new turnout? He drives a baby horse.

Our streets are getting in good shape, thanks to Commissioner Doc Steele.

Those who attended the M. E. church last Sabbath evening had the pleasure of listening to an excellent sermon delivered by the Rev. Chas. S. Ryman.

The New York World last Tuesday published an article sounding almost like an apology for the one published about a month ago concerning Randolph Travis of Montague.

Henry Game has finished the side walls on the Vandermark bridge. It looks safer now.

Two weeks from yesterday George Horton will sell out the contents of his old established livery stable.

Our county commissioners are kept busy these days. It will be some time before the damage done by last winter's floods is repaired.

All our mechanics seem to be busy. Although the necessities of life have gone up in price wages have not raised yet. Meat will soon be out of reach of the poor altogether.

Van Ethen Bros. are finding ready market for their sawed lumber.

Padgett, the Pride of Pike county, was in town Tuesday. Bill said that on Monday he had one of the most exciting runways he ever was in.

Ex-Sheriff E. Vandermark is canvassing the county. Whose scalp Elijah is after will be known better after the democratic primaries.

The time for electing a county superintendent of schools will soon be here. As there are but two candidates, and both are pretty well known to the school directors by this time, it should not take long to decide.

Emil Gumble brought his bride to town Tuesday evening. They will reside here.

### Excursion to New York Apr. 20.

On Sunday next, Apr. 20, the Erie will run a popular one dollar excursion from Port Jervis to New York. The special train will leave Port Jervis at 7 a. m., arriving in the city at 10 a. m. Returning special train will leave 33d street, New York, at 7.25 p. m., Chambers street at 7.45 p. m. and Jersey City at 8 p. m., allowing over nine hours in which to take in the sights in and around Greater New York at the low rate of \$1 for the round trip. Remember the train leaves Port Jervis at 7 a. m. Sunday next, Apr. 20th.

Here is an opportunity to visit Greater New York with no loss of working hours and at a very little cost.

### HYMNICAL.

#### Gumble-Kimble.

Miss Anna Burn Kimble, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kimble of Palmyra township, and Emil Gumble of this place were married at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Simons, in Hawley Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the presence of a few relatives and guests. The bride is a most charming young lady, popular with her associates and will make a very pleasant addition to Milford circles. The groom is a well known business man here and may be congratulated on having won one of Paupack's fairest daughters. They will reside here, where a cosy home has already been furnished.

At the congregational meeting in the Presbyterian church Monday evening Elder William Mitchell was elected delegate from the church, and Elders John C. Wallace and Ebenezer Warner were appointed to present the call of Rev. E. M. Smead to presbytery which meets in Goshen next Monday.

This paper might be filled with items like the following and every one like the absolute truth. I had rheumatism for years and tried almost everything but got no permanent relief until I used Chamberlain's Pain Balm, three bottles of which have cured me. It is the best medicine I ever used.—Philip E. Rhoads, Pennville, Mo. Pain Balm is for sale by A. W. Balch & Son, Matamoras, all drug and general stores in Pike county.