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## THE WASHINGTON LETTER.

History has been made rapidly in Washington during the past week. As predicted in my last letter, the message of the president produced little effect upon those senators who are opposed to Cuban reciprocity and two conferences of the republican members of the senate have been without results. That there will be no reciprocal legislation at this session of congress is generally conceded by its most ardent advocates. Nevertheless, Mr. Roosevelt considers that the honor of the nation is involved and he has stated officially that he will not give up the fight. It is now deemed probable that he will call the senate in extra session to consider a treaty which he will mean while negotiate with Cuba, or that he will submit such a treaty as soon as congress convenes in December.

Last Wednesday evening the republican senators called a conference to consider the subject of the president's message and the beet sugar senators were given ample opportunity to express their views. Seventeen senators declared themselves irrevocably opposed to any legislation which would reduce the duty on raw sugar and two others, who were not present, had authorized a similar expression of their views. The conference adjourned without action to meet again on Friday afternoon. At the adjourned meeting a number of "administration senators" pleaded for harmony and what they represented as the honor of the country. Senator Hanna said: "I declare to you, as chairman of our national committee, that our party will suffer at the polls in the coming election if this pledge which we have made is not carried into execution." The conference, however, was compelled to adjourn without action and subject to the call of the chairman, Senator Allison, who told me after adjournment that he did not believe the conference would meet "again soon." Another administration senator told me that he anticipated no trouble in securing the ratification of a reciprocal treaty after the election and that he felt sure that would be the ultimate outcome of the president's earnest efforts in behalf of Cuba. He said Mr. Roosevelt would appeal to the country, in support of Cuban reciprocity, on the trip he expects to make this fall, and that he would not ask for support in vain.

On Thursday, by a vote of 42 to 34, the senate decided in favor of the Panama-Colon route for the isthmian canal. The test vote came on a motion to substitute the Spooner bill for the Hepburn Nicaragua bill passed by the house. An amendment offered by Senator Fairbanks was adopted, by virtue of which the government will, upon the settlement of the route question by the president, issue 2 per cent interest bearing gold bonds to the amount of \$130,000,000 to defray the expense of the undertaking. Under the provisions of the Spooner amendment, the president is authorized to purchase the entire plant, rights, etc., of the Panama canal company for \$40,000,000, providing he can secure thereto a satisfactory title and provided he can procure from the Columbia government the perpetual right to a strip of land six miles wide in the proper location, etc. In the event that he cannot secure satisfactory title or proper concessions from the Columbian government, he is to secure such concessions from the Nicaraguan and Riein governments and commence operations on that route. As, in any event, a treaty must be negotiated, with the government through whose territory the canal is to pass and must be ratified by the senate, no active operations will be begun before the senate has again convened.

The adoption of the Spooner substitute did not meet with the approval of the house, as evidenced by the fact that on Friday that body voted to disagree to the action of the senate and appointed conferences on the bill. There is a general belief, however, that, owing to the lateness of the date and to the impossibility of securing any reversal of the senate's action at this session, the house will eventually concur.

The senate was not in session on Saturday. But little work remains for that body to perform before adjournment, with the exception of the general deficiency bill, all of the appropriation bills have been passed although a publisher are still in conference. Early last week Senator

Quay gave notice that he would press a motion to relieve the committee of territories from further consideration of the omnibus statehood bill and would urge action by the senate but he has since indicated that he has changed his mind. Senator Bate has, however, stated that he would present a similar motion and urge immediate action but such a motion coming a document, would doubtless be defeated by a party vote.

On Thursday the house took up the Philippine bill, Chairman Cooper opening the debate with an unusually eloquent speech. He was heartily applauded by his neighbors. As the time is equally divided between the parties, the democrats are having an opportunity to express their views but so far they have simply reiterated the well worn arguments presented by the democratic senators. Mr. Cooper told me yesterday that he expected the house would pass its own Philippine bill and that the difference between the house and senate measures would have to be "thrashed out" in conference. Indications are that the house conferees will have, at least tacit, instructions not to yield to the senate conferees and the possibility of a deadlock on the measure is the only cloud on the prospect of adjournment on the 31 of July. The house republicans will be particularly tenacious of the currency clause whereby the gold standard will be established in the Philippines, which they declare is the only course in harmony with republican traditions. They claim that the senate provision is in violation of the tenets of the party.

The house committee on commerce has reported favorably a bill altering the present restriction, that cattle in transit shall be unloaded for rest, feed and water every 28 hours, to every 40 hours. An effort will be made to rush this bill through during the closing hours but already the committee is in receipt of protests from the humane societies of the country. C. A. Snow, president of the Washington Humane Society, has sent to the committee a letter of protest in the course of which he says, "The passage of this bill will be a distinctly inhumane and retrogressive act to which I hope the American congress will not commit the American people. These animals, verberate like ourselves, have unerring appetites and thirst, and twenty-eight hours, as under the present bill, is far too long, especially under trying transportation conditions, to make them go without food and water. To increase the time to forty hours will involve an added torture which, if reduced to intelligible expression, would shock the conscience of the world. How outrageously mean and cowardly to treat these noble, gentle beings this way, only because they are voiceless, defenseless. They give their lives that we may live more abundantly and now an avaricious cattle interest proposes, through the sanction of congress to add torture to sacrifice."

**New York Excursion July 4th.**  
On Friday, July 4th, the Erie will run a special one dollar New York excursion train leaving Port Jervis at 7 a. m., arriving in the city 10 a. m., and returning special train will leave 234 street, New York, at 7:40 p. m., Chambers street at 7:45 p. m. and Jersey City at 8 p. m.  
Independence Day in and around Greater New York will be observed this year with patriotic and up to date celebrations, and as the time allowed in city gives ample time to take in any of the many seaside resorts, all of which are now in full blast, no one can help having a good time on this excursion. Remember the special train leaves Port Jervis at 7 a. m. and fare only one dollar for the round trip.

**Saves Two from Death.**  
"Our little daughter had an almost fatal attack of whooping cough and bronchitis," writes Mrs. W. E. Haviland of Arnold, N. Y., "but when all other remedies failed we saved her life with Dr. King's New Discovery. Our niece, who had consumption in an advanced stage, also used this wonderful medicine and today she is perfectly well." Desperate throat and lung diseases yield to Dr. King's New Discovery as to no other medicine on earth. Infallible for coughs and colds. 50c and \$1 bottles guaranteed by all druggists. Trial bottles free.

Clower, grass and garden food's all kinds at W. & G. Mitchell.

## PERSONALS

Mrs. Jane Emerson is on a visit with relatives at Dingmans.

Levi Lord of Blooming Grove transacted business here Monday.

Peter G. Wagner of Bushkill was in town Tuesday.

Miss Jane Seaman of Tuckahoe is visiting with friends here.

Alfred Marvin, Esq., of Matamoras was here a day this week on professional matters.

Madame Marie Tiesot, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia, continues to slowly improve.

The Misses Lila B. and Bessie H. Van Kiten arrived home this week for their summer vacation.

Mrs. C. H. McNichol, a former resident here, is a guest in the family of her brother, Hon. Jacob Klaer.

Mrs. Frank Crissman and son, Frank, of Byones, N. J., have been visiting friends in town for the past week.

R. C. Bull, accompanied by C. W. Bull, Esq., visited Port Jervis yesterday. The former is now in his 84th year.

F. C. Plume, delegate from this county to the democratic state convention at Erie, attended the meeting Wednesday.

Warren Van Gorden, manager of the popular Delaware House at Dingmans, and Isaac Andrus of that place were in town Monday.

Dr. Persifer Frazier and son of Philadelphia, who have been spending some days at Elgomer, were in town the first of the week.

Frank Hallett and family are now domiciled at Bascom Ayres in the Argentine confederation. He is buyer for a large drug house in New York.

Prof. J. W. Tuomey of Yale college, also connected with the school of forestry here, is with his family at the Humbert Cottage on Water street.

Mrs. J. C. Price and Mrs. Arthur N. Roe of Branchville came over Wednesday to attend the funeral of the late M. C. Westbrook at Blooming Grove.

County Superintendent of Schools Leman Westbrook was in town Monday and a card showing details for teachers' examinations appears elsewhere.

The Misses Huldah Ball and Blanche Cross, who have been visiting a sister of the former at Stroudsburg for a couple of weeks, are at home again.

Mrs. F. E. White, who has been visiting for some weeks in New York, returned this week, recalled by the illness of her husband, who is now much improved.

A large delegation from Milford Lodge, No. 344, F. & A. M., attended the funeral of the late M. C. Westbrook yesterday. A number from Hawley Lodge also were present.

Mrs. Anns Mettler has returned home after a two weeks' visit in Scranton. She was accompanied by her sister-in-law, Mrs. Jennigga Williams, who will spend some time with her.

Deputy Inspector of Factories E. R. Penrose of Quakertown, Pa., was in town this week making official inspections. He found nothing here coming under his jurisdiction except the two printing offices and bakery. He is a pleasant and courteous gentleman to meet.

Dr. Roberts Locates.  
Dr. C. W. Roberts has bought the handsome property on Ann street of the Klenhans brothers and will fit up rooms for giving chemical baths. If his project succeeds he will enlarge the building for when there is ample room to accommodate the requirements. Milford may congratulate itself on having secured so desirable a citizen and on having a business established here which will no doubt add considerably to the general prosperity. The doctor and his estimable wife will be likewise a pleasant addition to the social and church circles.

If troubled with rheumatism, give Chamberlain's Pain Balm a trial. It will not cost you a cent if it does no good. One application will relieve the pain. It also cures sprains and bruises in one-third the time required by any other treatment. Cuts, burns, gashes, frostbites, pain in the side and chest, glandular and other swellings are quickly cured by applying it. Every bottle warranted. Price 25 and 50 cents. A. W. Balch & Son, Matamoras, all drug and general stores in Pike county.

## OBITUARY

### MOSES COOLBAUGH WESTBROOK.

Another of those in the front rank has fallen like a soldier in battle, suddenly, though with perhaps some premonition that the end was approaching. The way had been long, the journey toilsome and the allotted period of man's life passed when the grand summons came and Mr. Westbrook on Monday went to join the mighty host that has gone over. He came of one of the oldest and most respected families in this valley and was born in Middle Smithfield, Monroe county, February 4, 1827, a son of Solomon and Hannah Coolbaugh Westbrook. His early years were spent near Dingmans in this county and in 1842 with his family he went to Blooming Grove where he has since resided and where he has toiled and reclaimed a part of the virgin wilderness into a smiling farm. He was a man of correct habits, upright in spirit, unbiassed in integrity, faithful to his friends and devoted to his family. Kind to his neighbors, of excellent judgment, he was honored in local affairs and for many years filled various township offices. He married Emily Jones, who, with four sons, William B. and Fred E. residing with him, John C., prothonotary of the county, Moses C. of Liberty, N. Y., and one daughter, Carrie, survives him. He is also survived by two brothers, the venerable John C. of Milford, Lafayette of Stroudsburg, and one sister, Mrs. Susan Grandis of this place. He was for many years a revered member of Milford Masonic Lodge and the brethren attested their sense of his worth by attending the obsequies, which occurred yesterday, and laying his remains to rest in the family plot on the farm near his late home.

Down in Monroe county the woods are full of candidates. A baker's dozen has announced themselves for the office of commissioner and a corresponding number for the other offices. Judging by some recent events either the timber offered is of mighty poor quality or else the people are careless in making their selections. The May grand jury found the commissioners had miserably neglected their duties and last week the bar, evidently with the concurrence of all good citizens, passed resolutions strongly condemning the sheriff for gross incompetency for allowing two murderers to escape. It looks as if democracy has so long and vigorously flourished down there that the flowers have hybridized and produced a deteriorated crop of office holders, another evidence that while green is a natural it is not always the best color to perpetuate.

**A Lively Little Road.**  
The Delaware Valley railroad company has published a very neat and attractive booklet descriptive of scenery along its route with cuts of numerous hotels and boarding houses easily accessible from its stations including and up to Dingmans Ferry. "The Colonial Route" evidently is in the hands of men who do not intend that their light shall be unseen. The road no doubt will be the means of attracting many heretofore strangers to this valley.

**Ladies' Aid Fair.**  
The ladies of the Presbyterian church will hold their annual fair Thursday, Aug. 14, 1902, in the church parlors.

The attractions will be the regular menu of chicken salad, coffee, sandwiches, ice cream and cake.

There will be a colonial room, Rebecca at the well, surprise salad for the children, home made candy and table of fancy articles.

**How the Case Was Lost.**  
Oh, he was a deep young witness man. All in this case of ours. And what he able bar man. He did with all his powers. That black was white, that wrong was right. He swore with might and main; He saw what happened out of sight, And told it o'er again.

**A Terrible Explosion.**  
"Of a gasoline stove bursted a lady here frightfully," writes N. E. Palmer of Kirkman, Ia. "The best doctors could not heal the running sore that followed, but Bucklen's Arnica Salve entirely cured her." Infallible for cuts, corns, sores, boils, bruises, skin diseases and piles. 25c at all druggists.

## BRIEF MENTION.

A marriage license has been granted to Eugene L. Hestor of Elgomer and Helen M. Kimes of Tomlinson, Pa.

A marriage license was granted this week in Wayne county to John Keuling of Blooming Grove and Sarah Lynn of Tipton.

Phillip Krause, Jr., of Baoba was run over by an engine on the Honesdale branch last week while asleep on the tracks and killed, his head and one leg being severed.

The senatorial deadlock in the Wayne-Susquehanna district continues. If it is not settled the state committee may name the nominee. But after that the people vote.

Henry Cunniff has the contract for enlarging the platform in the Presbyterian church so that the vocal and choir may be placed in rear of the pulpit and he is this week engaged in the work.

In several sections frosts early this week did considerable damage, up in Sullivan county, N. Y., hail fell to the depth of two inches and down in Maryland and West Virginia market gardens suffered severely.

The Harrisburg Telegraph last Saturday issued a sumptuous edition devoted to exploiting the capital city of the state. It is a handsomely gotten up paper and shows Harrisburg to be a rapidly growing and large manufacturing centre.

Indications point to an unusually good season for summer guests here. More than double the number are now in town than at the corresponding time last year and it is said that nearly all the rooms at the leading hotels and boarding houses are engaged.

The democratic state convention at Erie Wednesday nominated Robert E. Pattison for governor, Geo. W. Guthrie for lieutenant governor and James Nolan for secretary of the interior. The platform avoids all mention of national questions and is confined to state matters.

Grether, convicted in Monroe county of the murder of Adam Stank, who escaped from jail and was caught near Belvidere last week, refused to return without requisition papers. Aelo, his companion, also convicted of killing Labar, caught at the same time, readily came back with the sheriff.

There are a number of unsightly mud holes in town, especially on Seventh and upper High streets, which the street committee could remedy with small expense. Cutting the grass was an excellent improvement. Let it be followed by a removal of all places where there are pools of stagnant water.

The coronation of King Edward of England which was to have taken place this week has been indefinitely postponed owing to an attack of appendicitis for which an operation was necessary. It is said, in the event that he lives, that at least three months must elapse before the ceremony can take place.

The driving park managers are laboring faithfully to make the events July 4th of great attraction. It is cheerfully hoped that they may fully realize their fondest anticipations but the price of admission would seem to indicate that they have an eye to quality rather than quantity in the audience.

Flower thieves are despoiling Honesdale residents of those adornments and there are threats if the practice is not omitted of making arrests. The same sort of petty larceny is being carried on here, even extending to thefts of flowers from lots in the cemetery. Vandalism is not worse than this sort of thievery and the punishment should be condign.

Abram Hestor, aged about 70 years, died at his home in Lehman early last Monday morning. His wife and children, as follows, Harmon, Mrs. Mary A. Cortright, Joseph of Barryville, N. Y., Mrs. Maria Lifts of New Jersey and Andrew, survive. Deceased was a brother of Gilbert, Ira and John of Delaware. The funeral conducted by Rev. Greenleaf occurred Wednesday and interment in Delaware cemetery.

**Didn't Marry for Money.**  
The Boston man who lately married a sickly rich young woman is happy now for he got Dr. King's New Life Pills which restored her to perfect health. Infallible for jaundice, biliousness, malaria, fever and ague and all liver and stomach troubles. Gentle but effective. Only 25c at all druggists.

## Paul Leicester Ford on Suffrage.

Paul Leicester Ford, whose tragic death in the prime of his powers has startled the whole country, was a man of progressive ideas in many respects. Among other things, he believed in the ballot for women. In his novel, "The Honorable Peter Stirling," he makes the hero say:

"Broadly speaking, all persons of sound mind are entitled to vote on the men and the laws which are to govern them. Aside from this, every ounce of brain or experience you can add to the ballot makes it more certain. Suppose you say that half the people are too ignorant to vote sensibly. Don't you see that there is an even chance, at least, that they'll vote rightly, and if the wrong half carries the election it is because more intelligent people have voted wrongly, have not voted or have not taken the trouble to try and show the people the right way, but have left them to the mercies of the demagogues? If we grant that every man who takes care of himself has some brain and some experience, his vote is of some value, even if not a high one. Suppose we have an eagle and a thousand penials. Are we any better off by tossing away the coppers, because each is worth so little? That is why I have always advocated giving the franchise to women. If we can add ten million voters to an election we have added just so much knowledge to it, and made it just so much the harder to mislead or buy enough votes to change results."

**A Word to Milford People.**  
After mature reflection it seemed advisable rather than invest the large sum requisite to erect a new building for my chemical bath enterprise to purchase a place already improved, and accordingly I have bought the Kleinmans property. This I expect to fit up for the purposes of my business, which I will use every endeavor to make successful and of advantage to the town. I sincerely thank the public spirited citizens who so promptly and generously subscribed for the purchase of a site and record with a grateful feeling the kindness shown toward and confidence manifested in me by them. This is fully appreciated and it will be my earnest effort to compensate by inducing a larger number of people to visit this beautiful place and so spread its fame abroad to the mutual benefit and profit of all.

**Real Estate Transfers.**  
B. C. Totten to Thomas Moore, lot No. 129, Matamoras, \$100  
G. F. Rowland, treasurer, to S. Fisher, 50 acres, Shohola, James Wells, taxes.

Valentine Hipsman to Herman Hipsman, 145 acres, Shohola, Matt. Carey, \$1.

W. P. Austin, trustee, to Peter Schultz, 342 acres, warrantees Jonathan Hill and Daniel Clark, Lackawaxen.

Mary E. Hubbard and husband to Geo. B. Ball, assigned to G. W. Hubbard and Mary E. Hubbard, 160 acres, Dingman, \$2.

John L. Conklin to Mary E. Hubbard, 50 acres, Delaware, \$300.

Christian Brinkman to J. W. Brinkman, part of Thomas Willing, Lackawaxen, 40 acres, \$1000.

Mary Ann Armstrong to Tom Brockel Morse, 4 lots, Milford borough, corner George and Fourth streets, \$250.

**Held for Murder.**  
The jury of inquest summoned to enquire into the cause of death of Mrs. John Owen, who died last week after a brief illness, after hearing the evidence of the physicians who performed the autopsy and the testimony of children of the deceased and neighbors, found that death resulted from peritonitis induced by a blow at the hands of her husband. On this finding Owen was locked up in jail where he will likely remain until the October term of court.

**How to Avoid Trouble.**  
Now is the time to provide yourself and family with a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It is almost certain to be needed before the summer is over, and if procured now may save you a trip to town in the night or in your busiest season. It is everywhere admitted to be the most successful medicine in use for bowel complaints, both for children and adults. No family can afford to be without it. For sale by A. W. Balch & Son, Matamoras, all drug and general stores in Pike county.

## THE RAMBLER'S PICKINGS.

There are some things so mean and contemptibly low that it does not pay to pick them up.

The farm house on the Thos. Armstrong place opposite the race track presents a neat appearance.

Twelve horse stalls have been built on the grounds of the driving park association. What's the matter with building an open shed?

Last week's Sussex Register contained the following very flattering notice:

Rev. Edgar M. Smead was installed as pastor of the Milford Presbyterian church on June 3. The new pastorate was formed under peculiarly happy circumstances. His predecessor, Rev. Thomas Nichols, when rendered unable to continue his work, secured the service of Mr. Smead as his substitute. After the death of Rev. Mr. Nichols last October, he continued to supply the pulpit, and a most hearty unanimous call to be the pastor was given him this spring. Without any apparent vacancy a new pastor is now secured, already well known to the people and evidence of present and promise of future success is bright.

Dayton Depue and Warren C. Hersh of Layton were in town one day last week. One would think Warren would be afraid to venture over here by the way he always pokes fun at us.

Mrs. Alice Bennett of Port Jervis is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Fuller.

I notice that the managers of the driving park association have doubled the price of admission for this year's races. It may be good policy and it may not.

Squire asked us the other day what to do in order to be prepared for the ever changing weather. My advice is to always carry an umbrella, also an overcoat. A pair of rubbers will not come amiss.

Street Commissioner Steele is trying hard to keep the streets in proper trim.

Is Pike becoming the paradise of horse thieves?

Jos. Jagger of Layton, N. J., spent Tuesday in town.

It is easy to make a mountain out of a molehill but hard to reverse it. People should guard their tongues.

So much stealing is going on and seldom the perpetrators get caught. Why not invest in a good watch dog to keep in your barn? Ben Kyte has several well bred bull pups for sale that will make good watchers. If you don't believe it go around his barn some night.

**Civil Service Examinations.**  
The U. S. Civil Service Commission will hold examinations, during September and October, in several places in each state to secure young men and women for the government service. There are now 126,423 positions in the classified civil service, being an increase of 45,738 in six years. There were 7,972 persons appointed between July 1, 1901, and April 15, 1902, being at the rate of 10,770 for the year. There will probably be 11,000 appointments next year. Salaries at appointment vary from \$660 to \$1200 a year with liberal promotions afterward. All appointments are for life and for most positions only a common school education is required. Politics or religion is not considered. Those desiring to take examinations of this kind can get full information about them free by writing to the Columbian Correspondence College, Washington, D. C., and asking for its Civil Service Catalogue for 1902.

**Seven Years in Bed.**  
"Will wonders ever cease?" inquire the friends of Mrs. L. Paase of Lawrence, Kan. They knew she had been unable to leave her bed in seven years on account of kidney and liver trouble, nervous prostration and general debility; but "Three bottles of Electric Bitters enabled me to walk," she writes, "and in three months I felt like a new person." Women suffering from headache, backache, nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, fainting and dizzy spells will find it a priceless blessing. Try it. Satisfaction is guaranteed by all druggists. Only 50c.

Dress making in all branches. Will go to the house or do the work at home. Address MARY LUDWIN, Broad street, Milford, Pa.