

THE WASHINGTON LETTER.

The Fifty-seventh Congress has passed into history with a most creditable record on the status book. Perhaps the most important of recent enactments are the anti-trust provisions of the last session which, it is believed, will prevent the destruction of competition by the great corporations and incidentally will facilitate the bringing to justice those companies which attempt to violate the law. Both the president and Attorney General Knox have expressed satisfaction with the progress made in this direction and the republican leaders say that it is demonstrated that further amendment of the statutes is found necessary, such will be provided by the next congress. A thoroughly adequate and comprehensive immigration law has been added to the statutes. It contains no new and radical features but coordinates and harmonizes those enacted in the past.

Secretary Lodge, speaking to your correspondent on the work of congress, said after adjournment, "Two of the most important laws enacted this session, in my judgment, are the army and the militia reorganization bills. The creation of a general staff for the control of the army has long been advocated by Secretary Root and is everywhere acknowledged to be a step in the right direction. The militia law will enable the authorities in the war department to supervise, to some extent, the organization of the militia and unify its appointments, drill and tactics so that in the event of an emergency the Federal government would find in the state guard a far more effective organization than was the case at the beginning of the Spanish war. I am of course deeply disappointed at the failure of the Philippine tariff bill and consider the method of the democrats who defeated it inexcusable. I also regret the failure of the Aldrich financial bill." It may be said, however, that there are some republicans in congress who are glad of the failure of the Aldrich bill.

The democrats carried out their threat and during the closing hours of the senate talked to death the Philippine tariff and the Aldrich financial bills. The senate remained in session until 2 a. m. on the 4th of March with the hope of exhausting the democratic opposition but Senators Teller and Patterson of Colorado and Dubois of Idaho maintained a persistent filibuster to the end. Even the final minutes of the congress were marred, in the senate, by bitterness and anger, Senator Mason of Illinois talking to death a local bill on which Senator Bailey of Texas was endeavoring to secure a vote. Finally, however, Senator Cockrell proposed the usual resolution of thanks to the presiding officer and Senator Frye declared the senate adjourned.

On March 5th the senate met in special session and seven senators renewed their oath of office while ten newly elected members were sworn in. The three others had not yet arrived at the capitol. The scene in the senate chamber on the reconvening of the senate was brilliant in the extreme. The galleries were filled with the friends of the senators about to be sworn in and their desks were in many instances piled with flowers. Senator Gorman's desk was completely hidden with a number of magnificent floral designs, one standing not less than ten feet high. All bore the colors, yellow and black. Senator Hopkins had the largest number of floral remembrances on the republican side of the chamber. Senators Foraker, Spooner, Platt of Connecticut, Allison, and Gorman were the recipients of vociferous applause as they came forward to be sworn. A small amount of routine business was transacted and the senate then adjourned.

One of the missing links in the new senate is that of Senator Jones of Nevada who has served for thirty years and has long been recognized as an able authority on tariff questions. Senator Allison took the oath for his sixth term, the longest on record. As chairman of the committee on appropriations Mr. Allison has rendered invaluable service to his party. Among the retiring senators was Mr. Vest, long and affectionately known as "The little giant of Missouri." He had many warm friends on the republican side of the

chamber and was regarded as the representative of the best element among the democratic senators. His genial presence will be missed. Mr. Vest was the last man in the senate who had served in the Confederate congress. Two men on the republican side retired with actual relief. They are Senators Wellington and Simon. Mr. Wellington has long been out of touch with his party and, since his famous reference to President McKinley, has been shunned by the members of both parties. Senator Simon of Oregon has never mingled with his colleagues. Reserved and taciturn, he never seemed to be able to understand the spirit of the senate or to take in good part the joking to which every new senator must submit. He has held himself aloof from the first and expressed great satisfaction at the conclusion of his public service.

The president and the party leaders are intensely interested in the fate of the treaties which will be considered by the special session. At a meeting of the republican steering committee it has been determined to take up the Panama canal treaty first and Senator Morgan insists that he will never discontinue his opposition unless the convention is amended in accordance with his ideas. Senator Gorman has been restored to his old place as democratic leader and much depends on his attitude towards the treaties. It is being impressed on republican senators that loyalty to the treaties and the administration demands that they remain in Washington and attend the sessions. The republican leaders express confidence that both conventions can be ratified within a brief period and Senator Hale is so sanguine that he says the special session will accomplish its work and adjourn within two weeks but there are few who agree with him.

An error has been discovered in the immigration bill which, in so far as known, was made entirely unwittingly. The provisions of the bill are made to apply to all of the insular possessions of the United States, including the Philippines, Porto Rico, Hawaii, Guam, etc. Heretofore the immigration laws of these colonies have been enacted by the war department or the local governments and enforced by them. Just what complications the error will lead to is not yet known as the matter will be referred to the attorney general today.

"No Such Hoss!"

Hon. John R. Kirk, examiner of schools for the University of Missouri, received a letter from a school board asking for a teacher to fill requirements stated in the following language:

1. We want a first-class woman.
 2. She must teach arithmetic, algebra, geometry, book keeping, physiology and Latin.
 3. We want a woman of successful experience and sound scholarship.
 4. She must be a good disciplinarian.
 5. She must be about twenty-five or twenty-six years old.
 6. She must discipline by personal influence.
 7. She must be agreeable to work with.
 8. While teaching she must control seventy-five high school girls and boys.
 9. Salary, \$50 per month.
- Mr. Kirk answered by a story: "A man asked a horse dealer to purchase for him a horse, the horse to be bright bay, sixteen hands high, weight 1,000 pounds, arched neck, milk-eyes, thin nostrils, flat legs, trotting record three minutes, pacing record under three minutes, and of gentle disposition, so the children could drive him; price, \$100.
- The horse dealer's answer was: "But, mister, there hain't no sich hoss. If there was, he'd fetch fifty times the money."—Missouri School Journal.

Here Hies

Disturbances of strikers are not nearly as grave as an individual disorder of the system. Overwork, loss of sleep, nervous tension will be followed by utter collapse, unless a reliable remedy is immediately employed. There's nothing so efficient to cure disorders of the liver or kidneys as Electric Bitters. It's a wonderful tonic, and effective nerve and the greatest all-around medicine for run-down systems. It dispels nervousness, rheumatism and neuralgia and expels malarial germs. Only 50c, and satisfaction guaranteed by all druggists.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL NOTES

Joseph Shaffer is now janitor of the M. E. church.

Born, March 5th, to Harry Pantley and wife, of this borough, a son.

Born, Monday, to William Meta and wife, of Diagonal township, a daughter.

Dr. Kenworthy has disposed of his sorrel horse to Howard Sterns of Port Jervis.

Mr. Lockwood of Oyster Bay, L. I., attended the funeral of W. H. Eno Wednesday.

Miss Annette Lyman gave a party last Saturday evening to a number of her young friends.

Mrs. F. F. White, who has been visiting several weeks in New York, returned home last Saturday.

L. H. Wagner, who has been in Newark the past winter, was here the past week for a brief visit.

Moses Doyle, who owned a farm in Milford township, has sold out to a New York party and will soon remove.

Emil Kemnitz, who the past year occupied the Dr. Frazer farm in Westfall township, has removed to New York.

Percy S. Lyman, wife and family, who have been spending some weeks at Hotel Fauchere, returned to their city home Tuesday.

W. H. Hulsizer, D. D. G. M., of Honesdale paid a fraternal visit to Milford Lodge, No. 344, F. & A. M., Wednesday evening.

Dunham and George Gregory were up in Shohola this week and while there the sheriff purchased a fine team of horses of V. E. Hipsman.

John de C. Van Etten, who has been in the C. M. & St. P. railroad office in New York, has left that corporation and gone with the Atlas Portland cement company.

Harry Reed expects to leave town in a few days for Douglas, Arizona, where he will be employed by the Copper Queen mining company as superintendent of machinery.

G. J. Lutin of Jersey City, whose father many years ago owned a saw mill on the Raymondskill in Dingman town, was a guest for a few days recently at the Crisman House.

Mrs. Cotterill, a former resident of Lehman, but who for some time has resided at Normanook Inn at Culvers Gap, has removed to this county and will make her home at Hotel Schanno.

X. P. Haddy, Esq., and wife of Providence, R. I., are guests here with the latter's parents for a few days. Mr. Haddy has been suffering with grippe and comes for a brief stay to recuperate.

Mrs. Robert Struthers and daughter, Edie, have been in Brooklyn for several days. The latter has suffered an operation for a throat difficulty, which so far seems to have been successful. Dr. Griffith, who was for many years the family physician, assisted by Dr. Hopewell were the surgeons.

Game Laws Passed

The senate has passed a bill requiring non-resident hunters of the state and unnaturalized foreign resident hunters to procure a license before hunting in the state. Also an act repealing the sixth section of the act declaring the species of fish which are game and the species which are commercially valuable. The ninth section of the act of 29th May, 1901, makes it unlawful to catch with seine nets at any time of the year, carp, catfish, eels and suckers, in any waters not inhabited by trout except its internal natural lakes or ponds. It is not to be understood, however, that this would allow fishing in the Delaware with seines for those fish unless New Jersey concurred. The law is right in spirit and the privilege of fishing with seines for the kinds of fish above enumerated should be allowed. A bill has also passed providing for the appointment of deputy game protectors.

Work the Roads Now

The street committee would be wise to operate the road machine now while the ground is soft and the labor can be done so much more easily. If any graveling is to be done on the streets there is no better time to do it than while muddy. There are many places now on township roads where the bottom is too far down to be conveniently reached and if they were filled with stones would make good hard road beds. If the matter is delayed until the roads dry out it is too late to do such work.

LOCATING THE SCHOOL HOUSE**It's Up to the Directors, Committee Does Not Agree**

The committee of citizens, appointed by the school board to advise regarding the site for the new school house, held a final meeting last Saturday for interchange of views, and signed a paper recommending as follows:

H. B. Wells, first choice, Cornelia lots, Ann and Fourth street, second choice, Catharine street, site now occupied.

C. O. Armstrong made the same objections.

E. Warner, first choice, old site, Catharine street, no second.

Thos Armstrong, first choice, old site, Catharine street, second choice Cornelia lots, Ann and Fourth.

J. H. Van Etten, first choice, Harford street, corner Fifth street, second choice, Cornelia lots.

It is rumored that the school board has written the owner regarding the Harford street lots and on receipt of his reply the matter will be further discussed.

It is well in a matter of such grave moment to the interests of the town and the welfare and comfort of perhaps several generations of children that there should be no hasty or ill considered action. A school house of the kind proposed would probably be sufficient to accommodate the town for the next thirty or forty years, and no doubt in time the number of children attending would considerably increase. The state superintendent of schools recommends that "in towns, the school lots should be large enough to afford play ground, and secure good light and air." "The location should be central to the population to be accommodated, healthful and on good traveled roads. Low and damp or bleak and exposed positions should not be accepted, even as gifts."

Site of the Cedric

The new White Star liner the Cedric, which recently arrived in New York from Liverpool on her maiden voyage, is the largest ship that has ever been laid down and launched. Her gross tonnage is 21,000 tons, her length 700 feet. If set down on Broad street with her stern at the post office she would extend to the Bank. As her hull is 40½ feet deep, the top would practically be on a level with the front of Brown's Hall. She has in all nine decks. Her width is seventy-five feet and she would therefore completely fill the street. Her smoke stacks are fourteen feet, three inches by eleven feet, so a large team and wagon could pass down them. She has a freight capacity of 16,000 tons exclusive of the coal she carries. If this space were taken up with a cargo of wheat it would mean 640,000 bushels. As a railroad car has a capacity of 1,000 bushels, it would require a train of 640 cars to move this load. If the length of each car was twenty feet, the train would be two and one-half miles long. If two were stored, she would carry 153,318 barrels, which would require a train of 756 cars to transport and the train would cover over three miles of track. She has sleeping accommodations for nearly 3,000 persons and could therefore accommodate nearly one third the population of this county.

Two Head Accidents

Last Sunday as John Walters now residing in Matamoras, but who formerly owned and occupied the Hamilton farm in Milford township, was coming down the turnpike hill near the cemetery, the neck yoke slipped on the pole of his wagon and the team became unmanageable. He was kicked on the head by one of the horses and so badly injured that he was taken to the Port Jervis hospital.

Monday morning Walter H. Warner met with an accident near the same place. The tongue of his wagon broke and the team ran away. Mr. Warner had a bone in his arm broken, but his wife was not injured.

Cheap Rates to the West

Now is the time to go west, as the Erie ticket office, Port Jervis, is prepared to sell tickets to any Pacific coast point daily until May 1, 1903, at the low rate of \$50. Remember this when contemplating a trip to the far west. 3 30

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Broom Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 75c.

INTERESTING NEWS ITEMS

Court will begin next Monday at 2 p. m.

The senate has passed a bill appropriating \$75,000 to the East Stroudsburg State Normal.

Ex-Judge John J. Henderson of Meadville has been appointed by the governor to the Superior court.

The handsome house on the Branchville road known as the Burtis house was burned last Thursday.

Rev. C. T. Weidener has been reappointed, by the Evangelical association, pastor of Hope church at Matamoras.

Mrs. Kate Henderson, who at one time was engaged to Edgar A. Poe, the poet, recently celebrated her 87th birthday at Baltimore.

It is reported that a slight seismic shock occurred recently in the lower part of the county. Houses were shaken but no damage done.

Forestry Commissioner J. T. Rothrock, who last week tendered his resignation, has consented to withdraw it and retain the position.

State Senator W. P. Snyder of Chester county is favorably mentioned for the nomination of auditor general at the convention to be held May 27.

The legislature seems in no hurry to pass any law relating to roads and the bill that was before the senate has been recommitted to the committee.

Fifteen were killed and forty persons burned or bruised by an explosion of oil Monday night, following a wreck on the Erie railroad north of Olean, N. Y.

Philip, the thirteen year old son of John Stark of Dingman township, is now in the Port Jervis hospital. He is afflicted with a disease of his thigh bone.

Cornelia R. B., widow of the late Goyt Talmage, who for several years was pastor of the Reformed church of Port Jervis, died recently at Somerville, N. J., aged eighty-three years.

Remember the lecture next Tuesday evening, March 17th, at the M. E. church by Jesse S. Gilbert. The subject is one of interest to those who are and are not. It is "Courtship and Marriage."

The Danbar bell ringers and male quartet company will be at the Opera House in Port Jervis Friday evening, March 20th. This entertainment will conclude the local union course, given this winter, which has been very successful. It is expected next season to make the course better if possible by securing still more attractive talent.

A tenant house owned by George Armstrong in Montague, N. J., took fire in a somewhat mysterious manner last Sunday night and with some household goods belonging to Randolph Travis, which had just been moved in it, was completely consumed. Mr. Travis is yet and has been for some months confined to his room at Mr. Brink's.

A. R. Pennell, a lawyer of Buffalo, who was suspected of being implicated in the Burdick murder which recently occurred in that city, was killed Tuesday and his wife badly injured by going over a precipice in an automobile. Suicide is suspected by some papers. The wife has since died without regaining consciousness and the suicide theory has been abandoned.

A Healthy City

Williamsport, Pa., with a population of 30,000 had a death rate last year of a fraction over 10. There were 363 deaths and the leading causes were apoplexy 15, consumption of lungs 30, heart disease 34, old age 16, pneumonia 37, typhoid fever 12. During the year 1902 there were of contagious diseases 71 typhoid cases, 8 smallpox, 143 diphtheria and 133 scarlet fever. The report says privies and open pools are the worst nuisances there and as soil infectors and disease breeders they are only equaled by the garbage pile.

Real Estate Transfers

May Hulbert to Warren A. Bondle et al., lot on Westcoaling pond, Lackawanna, No. 39, \$90.

H. Alfred Freeman to George W. Hughes, lots in Brookwood, Blooming Grove, \$16.

Harry W. Buchanan to August Halfman, lot 683, Milford borough, \$150.

William Pardy to Charles J. Schlager, 100 acres, Palmyra, part of Benjamin Byroe, \$325.

OBITUARY

William H. Eno Dies at His Home on Foster Hill

Mr. Eno, who has been in failing health for several months, died at his home in this borough last Sunday morning, aged sixty-three years. He was born in Brooklyn and followed the printing business until he came to Milford some fourteen years ago. He was a well informed man and most excellent citizen.

His wife Catharine M., two sons, George H. and Joseph G. of Brooklyn, three daughters, Mrs. Catharine Dressell and Mrs. F. A. Bolder of Brooklyn and Mrs. M. A. Gibbons, and an adopted daughter, Catharine W., of Milford, survive him.

The funeral services, conducted by Rev. E. M. Sneed, occurred Wednesday afternoon and interment in Milford cemetery.

Fire Department Elections

Hook and Ladder company last Friday elected for officers:

President—P. N. Bourlique,
Vice president—Theo. H. Baker,
Secretary—Frank Schorr,
Treasurer—J. A. Bevoivre,
Foreman—William Davenport.

1st Asst.—Edward McMurray,
2d Asst.—W. A. H. Mitchell,
Fire police—H. Ludwig, M. Steele, F. B. Thrall and Fred Kurtz.

Vandermark Hose, No. 1, Monday evening, elected the following:

Foreman—G. R. Quick,
1st Asst.—S. W. Fuller,
2d Asst.—Louis deBerthe,
Secretary—J. F. Terwilliger,
Treasurer—W. F. Beck,
Steward—John Showers,
Fire police—P. F. Steele, W. E. Chol.

The Library is Popular

The librarian, Mrs. Petrikovsky, of the Homestead free library, which is being maintained by the generosity of James W. Pinchot, says it is a very popular and widely patronized institution. Nearly every family in town, all who read at all, draw on it largely for reading matter. This is an encouraging aspect. The books are well selected and it is pleasant to know that they are a source of enjoyment, interest and instruction to so large a proportion of the people of town. There is nothing so well adapted to cultivate a general intelligence as a good library well used. Why would not a reading room in connection be a great promoter of the reading habit with the younger population.

The Buffalo Murder

The murder of Burdick in Buffalo promises to become one of those cases which baffle the skill of the detectives. Speaking of the affair The Brooklyn Daily Eagle says:

The police are said to be hunting for the murderer in the "circle" in which the late Mr. Burdick "moved." His was distinctly what both the moralist and logician would call movement in a "vicious circle." The group in which a murderer is now being hunted was made up of a small number of married folk in the dangerous years from thirty to fifty, where passion has been strengthened by knowledge and prudence weakened by experience.

American Nauheim Treatment

Drs. Roberts and Dawitt have issued a neat little booklet descriptive of the American Nauheim baths they propose giving here and also detailing on the advantages of Milford as a resort and its desirable location for giving the treatment. Milford is the only place in America where the entire "Schott's" system of baths is given as at "Bad Nauheim," Germany, with all the other new methods of treating circulatory diseases. The institution will open May 1st with a capacity for giving two hundred treatments a day.

How to Get Rid of Stumps

The Scientific American gives the following information to those who desire to get rid of stumps on their farms: "Bore a hole one or two inches in diameter, according to the girth of the stump, and eight inches deep. Put into it one or two ounces of salt-petre, fill the hole with water and plug it close. After a few months take out the plug and pour in about a quart of kerosene and ignite it. The stump will smoulder away without blazing to the very extremity of the roots, leaving nothing but ashes."

Tragedy Averted

Just in the nick of time our little boy was saved," writes Mrs. W. Watkins of Pleasant City, Ohio. "Pneumonia had played and havoc with him and a terrible cough set in besides. Doctors treated him, but he grew worse every day. At length we tried Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and our darling was saved. He's now sound, and well." "Everybody ought to know, its the only sure cure for coughs, colds and all lung diseases. Guaranteed by all druggists. Price 50c and \$1. Trial bottles free.

THE RAMBLER'S PICKINGS

Milo Gibbons had the misfortune to lose one of his horses last Sunday.

Henry Lehto has sold his trotter to Walter Warner.

Miss Maggie Brink has returned from a months visit with relatives in Scranton, Pa.

At the H. & L. election held last Friday evening all the old officers were re-elected.

Mrs. Virginia McCarty has returned from Montclair, N. J.

John Pletcher is now prepared to repair war wagons, etc., at the stand recently occupied by William Cortright.

The big door on the borough building is still without that promised lock. What is the cause?

Ranaways are common here of late, one Sunday, another Monday on the same road.

Monday morning Milford was without a practicing physician.

Well! Is the question, "where is the new schoolhouse going to be built," settled to the satisfaction of everybody?

A number of youngsters and some older ones over in Montague are enjoying a visit of the measles.

Now brother Warren, we'll make our pile and then go south during cold weather. No Europe for us.

Dick Malone steered the Branchville mail through the mud several trips this week.

Mrs. Benjamin Kytte has returned from a weeks visit to Port Jervis.

A Teacher's Value to the Public

"What the teacher is counts for much more than what she knows. A love of children, unlimited tact and infinite patience are the necessary natural endowments," writes Caroline B. LeKow in the September Ladies' Home Journal. "Of course, the ability to teach implies the possession of an education, though no amount of education alone can make a good teacher. While all teachers must know more than they teach, the power to impart to others is the important matter, and the one in which tact or ingenuity is absolutely the prime requisite. Moreover, she should be personally a social, intellectual, and moral force in the community. The physician and the clergyman have immense opportunities for this uplifting of humanity, yet their advantages are small when compared with those of the teacher, which are practically unlimited. Encouragement and satisfaction in this field of labor never can be dependent upon results, for it is seldom that the teacher is permitted to know what the years of maturity owe to faithful care of the youthful days. The teacher's time is always one of seed-sowing, never of harvest."

The Government and the Home

Mrs. Rebecca B. Chambers, the president of the Pennsylvania women's Christian Temperance union, advocates the ballot as a necessity for successful homes. She recently said: "The home is the safe guard of the government. The government should guard safely its homes. Women cannot be a home maker and a home keeper, unless she is a part of the government, with the influence of the ballot, to protect and advance the interests of home life and child life."

A Churchman on Woman Suffrage

The Rev. Floyd W. Tompkins of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Philadelphia, when asked for an opinion on woman suffrage expressed himself in reply: "I believe that women should vote on all moral issues, and that they should also vote where they are individually taxed. I am not prepared to say that I believe in universal woman suffrage, and yet I am very much inclined toward it."

Judge Parker reckons Mr. Bryan's support of great value; Mr. Hill has a contrary opinion and advocates a sound money fight on Bryan in Nebraska and throughout the south and west.**Tragedy Averted**

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