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THE WASHINGTON LETTER.

The people of the United States did not require demonstration of the fact that their president is entirely fearless or that he proposes to administer the affairs of the government with absolute justice, regardless of his own political fortunes, but they have received it in the courageous position assumed by the president with regard to the employment of union labor in the various departments of the government. The case of William Miller, an assistant foreman of the government printing office, called forth from the president the enunciation of a policy which for fifty years no president has dared proclaim. This policy is to the effect that no discrimination shall be made between union and non-union labor in the employ of the government. Mr. Roosevelt cites the decision of the Anthracite Coal Strike Commission in support of his decision, the commission having decided that men in the coal mines must not be discriminated against because they were not members of a union.

Miller was dismissed by the Public Printer because he had been expelled from the Bookbinders' Union. Miller's crime was an attempt to save money for the government by insisting on the performance of more work than the union permitted his subordinates to do. It must be understood that the Bookbinders' Union in Washington prescribed a limit to the amount of work which each man shall perform in a day. Finally, when Miller refused to yield to the dictation of the union, he was expelled from its membership and immediately discharged by the Public Printer for that reason, a proceeding which Mr. Roosevelt characterizes as lacking in "elementary decency." The president promptly ordered Miller reinstated. This has been done. The bookbinders have now filed charges with the Public Printer which they believe will prove ample to warrant Miller's discharge but they have also issued a statement to the effect that they cannot work in the office with Miller but will be compelled to strike if he is retained in his present position. The unfortunate part of the situation is that the constitution of the union conflicts with the laws of the United States so that if the Public Printer should not find sufficient ground for discharging Miller he could not, according to law, dismiss him and the binders, according to the laws of their union, could not remain. If, again, the binders were to strike, they would be conspiring against the government and could never be reinstated without a change of the United States statutes by congress. What the outcome of this peculiar situation will be is impossible to predict. In several similar instances previous presidents have dodged the issue and now that President Roosevelt has met it squarely there are many who believe it will not cost him the sensible labor vote of the country. The government is still a little bigger than any union, whether of capital, or of labor, and sensible capitalists and laborers will see that it stays bigger.

Reports from Oyster Bay are to the effect that Speaker Cannon has agreed not to oppose the consideration of financial legislation which will be represented at the next session of congress. Mr. Cannon was summoned to Oyster Bay by the president to confer on this subject which the president regards as of grave importance. Some sceptical persons maintain that Mr. Cannon has not yet made any promise which amounts to anything for the reason that it is never necessary for the speaker to oppose legislation as no legislation can receive consideration unless he actually favors it. It is generally believed, however, that some measure will be devised which will remedy existing defects in the financial system and which will, at the same time, meet with approval of the republican leaders to both houses of congress. The device which appears to be most in favor is a law authorizing all national banks to issue notes to the extent of 25 per cent on their capital stock, subject to a tax of 5 per cent per annum. It is maintained that such notes would be issued only in time of emergency and would be promptly retired when the emergency was passed because the tax would render their maintenance in circulation unprofitable, once the emergency had passed.

After years of discussion and contention, shipbuilding in the navy yards of the country has at last found with favor naval officers who have come to believe that it would be desirable for the government to build its own vessels. There is now considerable delay because of the labor troubles in the yards of the trust which has the contracts for the building of thirteen vessels. Moreover, it is claimed that the constant work which would ensue were the government to build its own ships, would materially increase the value of the yards and would have a tendency to prevent the labor difficulties which now arise from the necessity which confronts employees of finding work elsewhere at certain seasons of the year. Rear Admiral Bowles is now preparing for Secretary Moody a statement based on the work of building the Connecticut in the New York navy yard. The admiral has already found that not less than 2 per cent of the total cost of the ship will be saved on the inspection expenses as a result of government construction. The government is preparing to complete the cruiser Galveston, now at Norfolk, and will build the sailing vessels Intrepid and Cumberland. The training brig authorized by the last congress will be built in the Portsmouth, N. H., navy yard.

Secretary Hay is doing all in his power to avert a war between Russia and Japan, although there is still a possibility that it will be impossible to restrain the cocky little oriental nation. A new cause of contention has just arisen in Korea where the government, which is dominated by Japan, has just ordered telegraph poles cut down along the line owned by Russians. It is claimed by the Japanese that the Russian navy has never been tried and probably would not fight to advantage whereas the Japanese navy has already demonstrated its power.

Woman Suffrage

I believe the average politician opposes woman suffrage principally for two reasons: One is that he is afraid of the moral influence which will make it harder to buy votes, and the increasing number of votes that they can't count like sheep will make it harder to control the elections.

Again, some little pusillanimous chap who is afraid he cannot maintain his dignity without the help of society, will say that women will want to wear pants next; but I say that whenever the woman shows herself more capable of wearing the pants, for heavens sake let him step out of them and let her have them, and if such were the custom we would find many more women wearing the pants than we do today.

Some say it would have a tendency to make our women more masculine. If such were likely to be the case, I surely would oppose it as much as I dislike an effeminate man; but I cannot see how that can be, as they associate and compete with man in all the other walks of life and it does not seem to me it would have so much tendency to make them masculine if we gave them the right and allowed them to exercise it in their own sweet way as it would to compel them to come out and fight for their right like Miss Anthony and other leaders have had to do. DR. WALTER ALLEN.

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. 25c.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL NOTES

Miss Bertha Reed has been spending the week in New York.

George Bargar, Constable of Shobola, was in town a day this week.

Samuel Stevens of Asheville, N. C., is visiting his sister, Mrs. G. H. McCarty.

Jacob Fromme, Esq., of New York and family have arrived at Hotel Fancher.

Misses Elsie and Jeanette Mott have gone on a visit to Providence, B. I., and other cities.

B. F. Smith, principal in charge of the Port Jervis Business Institute, was a visitor in Milford last Saturday.

Hon. Gifford Pinchot, United States Forester, delivered a lecture before the School of Forestry this week.

Oscar M. Wells, with the Blanchard printing company, of New York enjoyed several days vacation here this week.

J. E. Jones and wife (nee Miss Dora Kanone) of Greensboro, N. C., are visiting the latter's sister, Mrs. J. H. Van Katen.

County Treasurer Geo. A. Swopencer has been up in Greene this week. It is safe to predict now that that township will go democratic at the primary tomorrow.

Miss Susan Nichols, who has been spending several days here, left this week for a ten days visit at Balvidere, N. J., where she will join a house party. She will return to Milford later.

Prof. and Mrs. S. A. Johnson, who taught here for several years and later at Matamoras and for the past two years at the State Normal at Mansfield, will take a course at Cornell University the coming winter.

Obituary Notes

ARMSTRONG—July 19, 1903, at the home of her sister, Mrs. William W. Reed, at Chardon, O., Miss Loretta C. Armstrong, daughter of the late David Hunt Armstrong of Freeling-husen township, N. J., and sister of Mr. C. O. Armstrong of Milford. Aged sixty years.

Robert H. Foederer, member of congress from the fourth district and ex-congressman-at-large from Pennsylvania, died at his home in Torresdale last Sunday of Bright's disease, aged about 43 years.

Eugene Devitt, a summer guest, of Hoboken, N. J., died of consumption at the Jordon House Tuesday, aged 27 years. The remains were taken to Jersey City for interment.

Professor Brewer's Lectures

Professor William H. Brewer of Yale, who has been lecturing before the Forest School here this week, has given most instructive and entertaining addresses. Added to close observation his wide range of travel enables him to treat even the most familiar topics with a keenness of discrimination and novelty in method which creates in them a new and quickened interest. Published his talks could not fail to be widely read because of their direct application to the every day questions which arise in tree and forest culture.

Real Estate Transfers

J. H. Shull, trustee, to Edwin F. Peters, land in Lehman at Bushkill, \$500.

John Anderegg to Geo. F. Pfleger and wife, part of lots No. 125, 157, Lackawanna, 30 acres, \$1100.

John A. Fisher to James W. Pinchot, 1 1/2 acres land, Dingman, near upper mill dam, \$175.

Unclaimed Letters.

List of unclaimed letters remaining in the post office at Milford for the week ending August 1, 1903:

Mrs. Louise G. Taylor, Mr. Chas. Neuton.

Persons claiming the above will please say "Advertised" and give date of this list.

CHARLES LATTIMORE, P. M.

By City Shows

"For years fate was after me continuously" writes F. A. Gullidge, Verbena, Ala. "I had a terrible case of Piles causing 24 tumors. When all failed Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured me. Equally good for Burns and all aches and pains. Only 25c at all drug stores."

Dress making in all branches. MARY LUDWIG, Broad St., Milford, Pa.

A PURE WATER PROBLEM

The Delaware May Supply Thirty Philadelphians

In the Philadelphia North American of last Monday is a long article by George E. Mapes referring to the question of a supply of pure water for the city of Philadelphia.

The article is illustrated by cuts of Raymondkill and Sawkill Falls, a view of a lake in Wayne county and also a view of the Delaware. It is proposed to spend twenty-five million dollars on a filter plant and it is argued that the success of this plant is highly problematical, while there would be no question as to the purity and supply if the same sum was expended to build an aqueduct from say a point on the river somewhere between the Water Gap and Easton. The article describes the upper Delaware and its tributaries and gives the size of the watershed as nearly 6,000 square miles all practically uncontaminated territory, and, by reason of its lack of minerals and being largely unsuited to farming, most of it is likely to remain for all time in a forest state. This land is now sparsely settled, not much exceeding 25 persons to the square mile, and the population is not increasing. The 100 miles of river from Hancock to the Water Gap is through a natural park and it is fed by streams flowing from mountain lakes which are almost unnumberable in number. As contrasted with the present and possible supply of water from the country drained by the Schuylkill the article demonstrates that it would be far preferable for all time to draw the supply from the Delaware.

The Races Last Saturday

The races at the Driving Park last Saturday were fairly well attended and the trotting was enjoyed by all present. The entries, purses and time were as follows:

4.00 CLASS—PURSE \$25

Ulster Prince, D. F. Tatem, 3 2 2
Van E., J. S. Wise, 1 1 1
Kitty D., J. H. Brown, 2 3 4
Mande, B. E. Brown, 4 4 3
Flora, B. Williams, 5 5 0
Time—2:59, 2:59, 2:59.

2.35 CLASS—PURSE \$75

Dan Mac, D. F. Tatem, 2 2 4 0
Topsy O., B. Kye, 4 2 1 3
Rusty, E. McClusky, 3 4 2 2
Bike, Watson Little, 1 1 3 1
Time—2:34, 3:44, 3:44.

Five heats were trotted but the fourth was declared by the judges no heat.

2.45 CLASS—PURSE \$50

Brownie Boy, D. F. Tatem, 2 2 2
Prince B., Jeff Ketcham, 3 3 3
Donal, B. H. Hopkins, 1 1 1
Cyclone, Balmos, 4 1 0
Time—2:44, 4:44, 4:44.

HYMENEAL

DEATH—NYC

Married, July 23, 1903, at Middletown, N. Y., by Rev. Chas. Beattie, Belle C. Nyce, of Milford, and Frank B. Heath, of Matamoras. We unite, with many friends of the bride, in tendering our congratulations and sincere wishes for her happiness and welfare. The groom has made a most happy choice in selecting a helpmeet. She is a lady who possesses every qualification to make a neat, attractive and cheerful home, and no doubt the stream of time will bear their barque between flower bordered shores.

Another Improvement

George H. McCarty has purchased of H. W. Buchanan eight lots on High and George streets in this borough for the consideration of \$850. They were secured for Mrs. Elsie G. Mallus of Bridgeport, Ct., who will build a handsome residence on them in the near future. Mrs. Mellus is a daughter of the venerable William McCarty of this town.

FOR SALE—Two seated carriage, English canopy top. Enquire of Mrs. C. W. ROBERTS at former Kleinhans place.

FOR SALE—Good work horse, sound and kind. Apply to JOHN GOCHLEY, Milford Hand Laundry.

Working Night and Day

The best and mightiest little thing that ever was made is Dr. King's New Liver Pills. These pills change weakness into strength, listlessness into energy, brain-fog into mental power. They're wonderful in building up the health. Only 25c per box. Sold by all druggists.

INTERESTING NEWS ITEMS

Remember this is a week-day excursion and fare only one dollar for the round trip.

The yacht Reliance has been selected to meet the cup challenger from England. Now may the best boat win.

A new steel cage has arrived for use as a borough lock up which will be placed on the grounds of the borough building.

A. D. and B. E. Brown have commenced the foundations for a new building which will adjoin the Hall on Broad street.

A marriage license has been granted William A. Hackett of Rutherford, N. J., and Emma J. Billman of Matamoras.

It is possible the Mott street bridge may be open for traffic by August 1st. It is nearly completed and the county commissioners hope to have the filling in of the approaches soon completed.

The Independent School District of Milford offers bonds of \$12,000 for sale, in an advertisement elsewhere printed. These bonds should invite the consideration of those having funds for investment.

The Fish and Game Commission has decided to buy five thousand black bass from the Great Lakes to stock the New Jersey streams, and one thousand dozen quail, if they can be had, to stock the woods and fields.

Yes, it is true that fame has taken men from the forge, the plow and the carpenter's bench, but she never yet reached over the fence and soothed a cigarette smoking dude out of a hammock. There are some limitations to fame.—Blairtown Press.

IMMIGRANTS COMING

Many are not an Especially Desirable Class—Congress Should Restrict

Of the 921,315 immigrants coming into the country during the fiscal year just ended, the Italians head the list, the greater portion of them from Sicily and Southern Italy. It is a generally conceded fact that a large proportion of these people are lawless and entirely objectionable; many of them are outlaws at home. Yet the immigration management which is sending all of them into the country, as shown by the investigations of the immigration bureau seems to overcome the legal difficulties in securing their entrance. The figures—practically one million—indicate that one of congress's most important duties is the preparation and passage of a careful restrictive immigration law.

A Lucky Runaway

Sunday parties from Port Jervis failed to tie their horse while visiting Sawkill Falls, and the animal ran down the hill through the Grey Tower grounds down Harford street straight on over the steep bank to the river, then turned, came out on the road again and ran down to and over the Milford bridge across the Delaware where it was caught. No injury was done to horse, harness or wagon. It was a lucky go, however, and emphasizes the almost criminal neglect of leaving a horse stand without tying, no matter when or where.

General Miles to Retire

On August 31st General Miles will be retired from the regular army, having reached the age limit, and will be succeeded as lieutenant-general by Major General Young. The office of lieutenant-general is one created by congress. It is a question, however, whether, in time of war, this office is not a detriment to the service, under the president, who is, under the constitution, commander-in-chief of army and navy, should be able to select the most competent major-general for his chief-of-staff and field commander.

Fair and Festival

The ladies of the Presbyterian church will hold their annual fair in the church parlors, Thursday evening, August 6th. There will be a fine display of fancy articles for sale and refreshments will be served.

For a lax liver try Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They invigorate the liver, aid the digestion, regulate the bowels and prevent bilious attacks. For sale by Balch & Son, Matamoras, all general stores in Pike county.

AFTER AUTOMOBILISTS

Chaffeurs and Drivers of Machines Should Exercise Care

Farmers in different sections of the country are beginning to carry a small bag filled with good sized stones when they go out on the road, the stones to be used in pelting the automobilists who wear bristles down their backs. In one state an organization has been formed, the members of which will carry revolvers to be used when meeting the class above specified. It was thought by some to be an infringement on the rights of these driving machines to legislate as to the manner in which they should be run but experience demonstrates that the act is not wise and its only fault is that it does not go quite far enough. It is entirely unnecessary for these owning and operating automobiles to incur the enmity of farmers and others driving teams, who, with frightened horses on narrow roads are entirely helpless. It is possible to guide a horse running away but utterly impossible to do so when he begins backing. If automobilists desire to make machines popular they should err on the side of care in running them and consideration when meeting or passing teams. No jury would convict a driver for pelting a chaffeur with stones or clubs who by either sheer carelessness or wanton bravado had caused the team to throw the driver out of his wagon or to run away. Some automobilists and their machines are like mules, pigs, goats and reformers in that they go when and where they are least expected to.

Posting Up Advertisements

The law now makes it unlawful to advertise in the manner adopted by many who wish to obtain publicity at the least possible cost by posting or painting advertisements in every conspicuous place. The section reads that no person shall paste, paint, brand, stamp, or in any manner whatsoever place upon or attach to any building, fence, bridge, gate, outbuilding, or property of another, whether within or without the limits of a highway, any written, printed, painted or other advertisement, bill, notice, sign, card or poster, without first having obtained the written consent of the owner or tenant lawfully in possession or occupancy thereof. The penalty is not less than \$5 nor more than \$20 for each offense and all such advertisements are declared public nuisances and may be removed or abated.

This act, if enforced, will greatly curtail the publicity if some merchants of a neighboring town who select the fence and tree methods of advertising to save printers ink.

The Eel Weir Law

The legislature passed a law at its last session allowing eel weirs to be placed in the waters of the commonwealth. It provides an open season from Aug. 25 to Dec. 1, the basket to be made of slats not less than one half inch apart, with a moveable bottom, which shall be taken out of each basket at sunrise and kept out until sunset. A license must be procured from the county treasurer by paying \$5 and a fee of \$1 which is only good for the one season, and can only be issued to citizens of the commonwealth and is not transferable. The penalties for taking or catching any other fish than eels or using the basket at any other time or manner than authorized by the act remains as heretofore provided. The use of such eel weirs or baskets is confined to waters of the commonwealth. The act does not apply to the Delaware river.

Week-Day New York Excursion

Friday, July 31st, the Erie will run a week-day New York one dollar excursion, special train leaving Port Jervis at 7 a. m. arriving in Greater New York 10 a. m. allowing over nine hours in city as special train returning will leave West 23rd Street at 7:25 p. m. Chambers Street New York at 7:45 p. m. Jersey City at 8 p. m.

Valuable Time Saved

Slight injuries often disable a man and cause several days' loss of time and when blood poison develops, sometimes result in the loss of a hand or limb. Chamberlain's Pain Balm is an antiseptic liniment. When applied to cuts, bruises and burns it causes them to heal quickly and without maiming, and prevents any danger of blood poisoning. For sale by Balch & Son, Matamoras, all general stores in Pike county.

Night Was Her Terror

"I would cough nearly all night long," writes Mrs. Chas. Applegate of Alexander, Ind., "and could hardly get any sleep. I had concluded to go to bed that if I walked a split I would cough frightfully and spit blood, but, when all other medicines failed, three \$1.00 bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery wholly cured me and I gained 25 pounds." It's absolutely guaranteed to cure Coughs, Colds, La Grippe, Bronchitis and all Throat and Lung Troubles. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at all drug stores.

THE RAMBLER'S PICKINGS

Squire William Angles horse took a fall last Sunday, coming out with skinned knees.

Topsy O. stumbled over a loose stone at the foot of the Milford hill Monday coming out pretty well scoured up, and breaking the wagon shafts.

Judge Englehart of Matamoras found his wheel going too slow last Sunday and took a leap over the handle bars. Result, torn trousers and lacerated knee.

Two dances on one evening close together are too much for our boys to attend. So the shower stopped both.

Several of our residents intend going to Niagara Falls tomorrow evening.

Writing posters and letters if of the right kind may be all right and made to pay, but if not they may cause annoyance.

Most farmers report the hay crop which it was thought would be a failure up to the average.

George E. Horton of Branchville was in town Wednesday.

The democratic primary will take place tomorrow. There seems to be no excitement, and it will not take much figuring to pick out the winners.

This is the time of year for picnics and church fairs. The annual fair of the Presbyterian church will be held next Thursday.

Louis Rudolph, the Pike county talking machine, was in town Wednesday. Every time Louis comes up here he can talk faster.

At different times some crank of a reporter has sent accounts of incidents which happened in the reporter's imagination on the mountain road between Port Jervis and Milford. If our road from here to Port Jervis is a mountain road, then where are your good roads?

Excursion to San Francisco, Cal.

For the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic to be held at San Francisco, Cal., from August 17th to 24th, 1903, the Erie railroad company has placed on sale at the Erie ticket office, Port Jervis, N. Y., special excursion tickets to San Francisco, Cal., at the very low rate of \$65.75 for the round trip, good going on July 31st to August 13th, inc., and good returning to October 15th, 1903. Stop-overs will be allowed will be allowed within the final limit, October 15th, at and west of Colorado points.

Think this over, the rate being less than the one way fare, no one ever expecting to visit the "Golden Gate State" can afford to miss this grand opportunity.

Drop a postal for any further information to Erie ticket office, Port Jervis, N. Y.

The tornado which swept through Paterson appears unfortunately to have missed the anarchist section of the town.

Our patriotism as a people is demonstrated during July by the deaths reported from lock-jaw, due to toy pistols.

A gold standard is now proposed for China. Possibly Mr. Bryan will continue his European tour eastward and endeavor to head this off.

It is believed that the products of Missouri literary men fetch the highest price, not excluding the writings of Kipling. Lieut. Governor Lee got \$10,000 for one letter. The trouble was that the lobbyists gave his away.

The yellow fever commission has announced that all yellow fever is communicated through mosquitos. All that you have to do when you don't want to have yellow fever is to twist the neck of a mosquito before it bites you.

By and by the Chinese diplomatic question will simmer down so we will be able to tell first, whether there are any ports in Manchuria, second, whether these ports are to be opened, and third, whether anybody who enters is likely to get mobby.

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