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## THE WASHINGTON LETTER.

Reports received recently from Bogota, to the effect that the Panama canal treaty will not be ratified without amendment, are causing the president and the friends of the Panama canal no little anxiety. President Roosevelt, as do most persons sincerely in favor of a canal and familiar with all the conditions, regard the Panama route as by odds the most desirable for an inter-oceanic canal and up to this time it has been believed that President Marroquin would find a way to effect the ratification of the treaty. It now appears that the representatives of the transcontinental railway companies have been doing yoman's work in Bogota and have succeeded in persuading the Colombians that the treaty, as framed and ratified by the United States, will prove inimical to their interests. Of course the slightest amendment will necessitate the reconsideration by the United States Senate, which reconsideration will be attended with as great difficulty as was the ratification. Senator Morgan of Alabama declares that he has his guns primed for another battle and that he can talk even longer in opposition to the acceptance of the proposed amendments than he did in opposing the ratification. As will be remembered, only a special session with nothing to prevent its lasting all summer served to discourage the veteran Alabamian last spring and he will be quick to appreciate that with a presidential campaign in prospect, congress would be unwilling to prolong the approaching session for the sake of a dozen canals. The senator from Alabama also claims to have secured even greater support than he had last spring and in view of this dubious prospect the president and the officials of the state department are much discouraged.

## LOCAL AND PERSONAL NOTES

force to be detailed for duty with troops employing horses in battle, the duties of which force will be to put out of their misery horses badly wounded as to be beyond recovery, and the further mission of affording prompt relief to these animals whose recovery may be looked for if their wounds are properly attended to. This subject will receive special attention at the Geneva convention which opens on September 14 and it is expected that an equine relief corps may, as a result become a part of every army.

One of the most important results of the postoffice investigation will be the concerted attempt which will be made by officials of the administration to secure congressional authority to completely reorganize the auditing service of the government. At present it is the custom to appoint an auditor for each department to which he is assigned. He is in no sense a subordinate of the secretary of such department, however, and at the same time is removed from the direct supervision of the secretary of the treasury. The new plan contemplates the erection of a building for the auditors, immediately opposite the treasury department, with which it will be connected by a tunnel by a tunnel. There all auditors will be given office room and the condition will be to audit the accounts from a purely professional standpoint, unbiased by the environment of the department incurring the expenses. At present the auditor in each department has assumed powers out of all proportion to the original intention of the makers of the existing law and to that fact is ascribed some of the scandalous corruption in the postal investigation. This new move has the approval of all the secretaries of the treasury and of president.

**Real Estate Transfers**

Joseph Carey to John Gelhardt and wife, 5 acres, part of Adam Foulke, Greens, \$1.

Same to same, 60 acres, Jacob Arndt, Greene, \$1.

Harry W. Buchanan to Maggie H. Melius, 8 lots Milford borough, High and George street, \$850.

Carlton A. Smith, sheriff, to Peter A. L. Quick, lands in Lehman, 176 acres with reservations etc., \$968.

Henry Van Horn to Peter A. L. Quick, lot No. 18, Matamoras, \$1200.

Mary Peifer to Nick Weber, 100 acres, part of Urban Roberts, Lackawaxen, \$900.

John H. McCarty and others to Jacob McCarty, 42 acres, Dingman township, \$1.

Olive McCarty and others to Jacob McCarty and others, 45 acres, Dingman township, \$1.

Foldore Quinn to Winfred V. Palmer, 4 lots, corner Catharine and Sixth streets, Milford borough \$1400.

**Unclaimed Letters.**

Last of unclaimed letters remaining in the post office at Milford for the week ending August 15, 1903:

Mrs. Daley (3), Miss M. Bumeil, Miss Mandoline Sylvester (2), Mrs. Frances E. Scofield (2), Miss Nellie F. Teaney, R. O. Crommelin, Rev. J. K. Frud.

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

**CHARLES LATTIMORE, P. M.**

**One More Low Rate Excursion to Binghamton and Ross Park**

Sunday, August 16th, the Erie Railroad Company will run another of its popular low rate excursions to Binghamton and Ross Park. A beautiful city and picturesque park. A delightful ride and charming scenery all the way. Let everyone enjoy it. Special train will leave Port Jervis at 7 a. m. Fare round trip only \$1; half fare for children. Proportionate rates from other stations.

Despatches announce that the Wall Street atmosphere has been cleared up likewise some of those who tried to get rich.

**Suicide Prevented**

The startling announcement that a preventive of suicide had been discovered will interest many. A run down system or despondency invariably precedes suicide and something has been found that will prevent that condition which makes suicide likely. At the first thought of self destruction take Electric Bitters. It being a great tonic and nerve will strengthen the nerves and build up the system. It's also a great Stomach, Liver and Kidney regulator. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by all druggists.

## ADJOURNED COURT

Not a Large Volume of Business Transacted, but Some of Importance

At an adjourned court held Wednesday, Aug. 13, before President Judge Erdman and Associates Eglehart and Brown the following business was transacted:

Estate Peter A. L. Quick, deceased. Petition for inquest in partition. Sains awarded.

Estate Maria L. Peters, deceased. Petition of children of S. D. Mott for guardian, Edwin F. Peiers appointed. Bond in \$800.

Petition of citizens of Westfall for public road at Rosestown from county bridge to small bridge by way of Hickory Grove Hotel. Frank Schorr, Geo. R. Quick and J. H. Ryder appointed viewers.

Martin C. Cortright appointed collector of taxes in Porter township.

Louis H. Wagner vs. H. L. Canne. Role on plaintiff to file bill of particulars within 15 days.

Estate Carl M. Kelly, deceased. Petition of D. B. Allen, guardian of Carl F. Kelly, to invest \$1200.

Estate Harriok Koch, deceased. Petition for rule on sheriff to pay over surplus monies to Annie Carrough, executrix. Rule to show cause granted.

**Tramps in Jail**

Two tramps giving the names of William Braynes and William Southard were brought here by Constable Kelly Monday night and lodged in jail on a commitment from Henry Dewitt, Esq., of Lackawaxen. They are charged with breaking open a car near Glen Eyre and with taking from a box in it two pairs of shoes. They no doubt will be steady guests at the stone hotel until October.

In such matters, arising through the railroad, can be felt the relief afforded by the payment of part of the Bete bonus to the county, but if our member had been equal to the situation when the bill appropriating it passed we might have shared it with Susquehanna in proportion to the miles of track in the county and not in proportion to the assessed value of real estate.

However, it is a blessing to know that the county is always represented by a good democrat if he is good for nothing else.

**Fish Basket Licenses**

The Department of Fisheries of this state has sent out a circular stating that it will recognize no licenses for eel baskets in the Delaware river and that it will be a violation of navigation laws to erect wing walls from shore to shore and in such manner as to obstruct the passage of boats up or down a public stream.

Only the parties described in the license are authorized to operate an eel basket. If more than one person is to operate one fish or eel basket, each must secure a license. Holders of licenses are advised to paint their names on the sides of their basket. Wardens and constables will be instructed to destroy all baskets from which the bottoms have not been removed between sunrise and sunset and to arrest the owners. A net cannot be substituted for a rack and falls.

**A Good Entertainment**

The Montank Ladies quartet gave a fine entertainment in Brown's Hall Monday evening and their merits deserved a far better recognition in the way of an audience than was accorded them. Their musical attainments are of a high order and they rendered their solos and quartets in a most excellent manner. Probably had publicity been given the affair, the result would have been far more gratifying to the singers. Pastboard players illegitimately are too tireless in these days to attract attention and a performance is often gauged by the public by the methods its managers follow to make it known. If it is not worth advertising it is not worth paying to see or hear, is the usual comment, but in this case it was unjust to the ladies.

**Pats an End to It All**

A grievous wall oftentimes comes as a result of unbearable pain from over taxed organs. Dizziness, Backache, Liver complaint and constipation. But thanks to Dr. King's New Life Pills they put an end to it all. They are gentle but thorough. Try them. Only 25c. Guaranteed by all druggists.

## INTERESTING NEWS ITEMS

Ed. Hance caught a carp Monday which weighed 22 pounds.

We are in receipt of an invitation to attend the great Grangers Picnic Exhibition at William's Grove August 24-29.

The sale of the Quinn lots on Catharine street to Mrs. N. G. Palmer was made through J. C. Chamberlaine, real estate agent.

Mrs. William McCowen is adding a porch to her residence on George street, which will greatly improve its convenience and comfort.

Ryman and Wells store is a very busy place these days. Their fine stock of notions, souvenars and fancy goods attracts the ladies in crowds.

Farmers' Institutes will be held in Pike county this year on the following dates, at Milford Dec. 30th, and at Dingmans Ferry Dec. 31st, and in Monroe county at Shawnee Jan. 1, 2, and at Brodheadsville Jan. 4, 5 1904.

By the breaking down of a balcony on which was a large number of people witnessing a base ball game at Philadelphia last Saturday eleven persons were either killed outright or have since died, and many were severely injured.

James B. Cuddeback of Port Jervis, a former resident of this place, suffered a broken leg and other injuries Monday night from his horse which was "cast" in its stall. In its efforts to get up the horse fell upon him and injured him.

A Scranton court has decided that the conviction of Carrie Nation for selling hatchets was illegal, and she proposes now to sue the city for \$50,000 damages. She ought to recover, and perhaps the lesson would teach other municipalities to let her alone.

Joseph Letwak, a Poleander, was found early Wednesday morning lying along the Erie tracks at Parker's Glen with his head crushed. He was conveyed to the Port Jervis hospital and died soon after. It is not known in what manner he met the injury.

It is now made a misdemeanor in this state to wilfully and maliciously kill, maim or disfigure any horse, cattle, dog or other domestic animals of another person, or to administer poison or expose poisonous substances. The act shall not apply to one killing an animal found in the act of destroying any other domestic animal.

Howard Greening, it is reported, was arrested a few days ago at Lackawaxen for ticket scalping and wishing to make some arrangement for bail, as he said, prevailed on the constable to allow him to go inside a house from which he escaped and ran across the aqueduct to New York state. He is yet at large and if the charge is true he would be wise to take Greenley's advice and go west—and then stay there.

It is noticed that when the trusts raise the wages of employees they usually in consequence increase the price of their products. A little study of the several advances, however, usually discloses the fact that the advance in cost of the product to the people has been several hundred per cent above the advance in wages. At the same time the people are supposed to believe that the reason that they have to pay more for the things they use is because the laboring man has demanded an increase in wages.

Out in Indiana an association of stockmen owns a male hog valued at \$18,000. There are some in the east who value themselves at a much higher figure and they have only two legs at that.

Mr. Carnegie's expressed desire that the tolling masses should have "more sweetness and more light" is looked upon as a direct slap at Mr. Havenmeyer and Mr. Rockefeller.

Katy-dids, forerunners of frost, are singing and in six weeks, if the old saying is true, we may expect a freeze.

**End of Bitter Fight**

Two physicians had a long and stubborn fight with an abcess on my right lung" writes J. E. Hughes of DuPont, Pa. "and gave me up. Everybody thought my time had come. As a last resort I tried Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption. The benefit I received was striking and I was on my feet in a few days. Now I've entirely regained my health." It conquers all Coughs, Colds and Throat and Lung Troubles. Guaranteed by all druggists. Price 50c, and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

## DRIVING PARE RACES

Entries Promise Good Sport Tomorrow—Guideless Wonder Will Exhibit

The races at the Driving Park tomorrow will be well worth attending. Several new and good horses are entered and one of the attractions will be King L., the guideless wonder, who will give exhibition trots between heats. The entries and classes are as follows:

3.45 CLASS—PURSE \$50

King B., b. g., Milford Syndicate. Cyclone, b. g., Balmos, Port Jervis.

Prince B., b. g., Ketcham, Matamoras.

2.35 CLASS—PURSE \$75

Topsy O., s. m., Kyte, Milford. Dewey, b. g., H. Sterns, Port Jervis.

Polonus, b. s., Smith, Otisville. Tricky, b. m., W. B. Lawrence.

3.00 CLASS—PURSE \$25

Maud, b. m., B. E. Brown. Kitty B., b. m., Brown, Tristates. Flora, b. m., Ferguson. Cyclone, b. g., Balmos. Gordon H., b. g., Lawrence.

**Painting County Bridges**

Some member, probably more or less acquainted with the methods of county commissioners in the care and painting of bridges, introduced at the last session of the legislature and had passed an act regulating the manner in which it should be done. The first section authorizes and requires the commissioners to have the county bridges, which are constructed of steel or iron, painted, and the bolts of same drawn as often as may be necessary, the second section directs that they shall during the month of March of each year in which it may be necessary to paint any of the bridges and tighten the bolts thereof, cause to be published in two newspapers of the county a list of such bridges, stating their location and specifying the kind and quantity of paint to be used, and asking for sealed bids for furnishing the material and doing the work upon each separate bridge, which bids shall be opened on the first day of the following May or as soon thereafter as practicable and the contract for material and work upon each bridge shall be given to the lowest and best bidder.

**Bugs Catch Bugs**

Set a thief to catch a thief is an old adage, and now scientists have amended by saying set a bug to catch a bug. It is found that one of the best ways to exterminate insects is to find others which show a fondness in using them as a diet. Sparrows were imported to devour worms but they found other things more to their liking and have proven themselves pests. There can hardly be the same results with the lady bug which is credited with having a fondness for the San Jose scale and it is said to be very destructive to that tree pest. All this recalls Dean Swift's poem about Goss having "other seas to bite 'em," and perhaps the lady bug may have some special enemy.

**A Grand Wheat Crop**

Kansas has just finished harvesting the greatest wheat crop ever raised in any state. Its record in 1901 was phenomenal but that has been exceeded this year by ten million bushels. The heavy rains killed off, for this year, the Hessian fly and the grain has hardened into as perfect wheat as is possible to secure. A binder will cut twelve acres a day and it takes three men to run it. At this rate it required 45,000 men to harvest the five and a half, and over, million acres of wheat in ten days. Only this country is equal to raising such a crop and furnishing the men and women, for they helped, and machinery to gather it so expeditiously.

**A Scientist of the Department of Agriculture has discovered that eating peanuts causes drowsiness. Doubtless a regular diet would induce coma. We have always wondered what was the matter with the peanut politicians such as George Fred Williams of Massachusetts, Dave Hill of New York, Wellington of Maryland, Lantz of Ohio and that class of statesmen who sink into oblivion at stated intervals. This accounts for it.**

**To Cure a Cold in One Day**

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

## THE RAMBLER'S PICKINGS

What is more changeable than the weather?

Big time at the Driving Park tomorrow afternoon. Even a guideless wonder will be on exhibition.

Some of the boys are so struck on ball playing they think of nothing else.

Well! the Mott street bridge is completed at last and when the rustic wing walls are finished, it looks as if the work might stand for some time.

Which is most pleasant? a touch of pleurisy or lumbago?

The weather man must have had a grudge against the ladies of the Presbyterian as well as the Episcopal church. It rained on both nights of their fairs. The Catholics fared no better. Now we will see what kind of weather our Methodist friends have for their fair.

Our sidewalks are hardly wide enough now at times. When you meet four or five persons walking abreast and they refuse to break their rank, you either have to be rude or step into the gutter.

Brother Warron of Sandyston delights in flinging slurs at us over here. The idea of a Milfordite driving through Sandyston at a 2.15 clip. Great Scott! there isn't a horse over here can do that.

Where does the Pike county fair come in?

Chas. B. Staples, Esq., and Fred Eilenberger were in town Wednesday.

Any one wishing to see apple blossoms in August can do so in J. E. Boyd's yard on Broad street.

**Fashion Notes**

Overalls will be made of the same materials as last year, with, perhaps an additional patch on the knee.

Pantalons will be worn as usual. This seems to be a very popular article of apparel with the male sex.

Dresses will be worn short by members of the ballet.

Tulle-de-laine is a novel fabric, and is made in all colors. As it is transparent, it is customary to wear silk or something under it, although it is said to be very effective without.

Street dresses will still be trimmed with all sorts of monkey business.

Some bathing suits are made this year of material that will wash. However, many still believe that water will wash better.

Stockings will be worn as usual; also shoes.

Large heads are considered stylish for morning wear among clubmen.

It is not considered proper to eat lemonade with a fork.

Necks will be worn bare. The material thus saved will be added to the train.

**Why Counterfeited**

Did you ever see a counterfeit ten dollar bill?

Yes.

Why was it counterfeited?

Because it was worth counterfeiting.

Was the ten dollar bill to blame?

No.

Did you ever see a scrap of brown paper counterfeited?

No.

Why not?

Because is not worth counterfeiting.

Did you ever see a counterfeit Christian?

Yes, lots of them.

Why was he counterfeited?

Because he was worth counterfeiting.

Was he to blame for being counterfeited?

No.—Bothany Tidings.

**Only a Mask**

Many are not being benefited by the summer vacation as they should be. Now, notwithstanding much outdoor life, they are little if any stronger than they were. The tan on their faces is darker and makes them look healthier, but it is only a mask. They are still nervous, easily tired, upset by trifles, and they do not eat nor sleep well. What they need is what tones the nerves, perfects digestion, creates appetite, and makes sleep refreshing, and that is Hood's Sarsaparilla. Pupils and teachers generally will find the chief purpose of the vacation best subserved by this great medicine which, as we know, "builds up the whole system."