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THE WASHINGTON LETTER.

The Alaskan Boundary Commission is now in session in London and the proceedings are being followed with intense interest both by officials of the state department and by those citizens familiar with the contentions of the United States and Great Britain. Already the American commissioners have made a strong point. It is that the United States has, from the time of the cession of Alaska to the present day, maintained but one interpretation of the treaty of 1867. The Canadian or British contentions, on the other hand, have varied repeatedly. From a demand that the dividing line be drawn on the 41st meridian, down to the contention that the line be drawn straight across such arms of the sea as Glacier Bay and Lynn canal, the British have been modifying their demands and giving evidence of possessing a claim which must depend for success on skillful diplomacy rather than on the equitable interpretation of the facts. The presence of Ex-Secretary of State Foster as "agent" of the American commissioners is a source of gratification to the state department as it is realized that he is, more than any other individual, able to present the case of this country in its strongest light and to hope for a running high as to the eventual outcome of the proceedings.

The European squadron has arrived at Beirut but so unsettled are conditions in Turkey reported to be that the state department is waiting for further advices from Minister Leishman before instructing Admiral Cotton to open the sealed orders he found awaiting him. The situation in Constantinople has become so grave that the government has been obliged to advise the ambassadors and ministers to guard their embassies and legations with unusual care. The Turkish government has added to the street patrol in the vicinity of the foreign quarter and the diplomats have generally called upon the station ships of their respective nations for guards of marines. The United States legation now has a small guard of police but Minister Leishman has been authorized to call upon Admiral Cotton for a squad of marines if the situation seems to warrant it. It is also possible that one of the American vessels, probably the *Machias* will go through the Dardanelles and another off Constantinople in order that it may be in readiness to receive the Minister and his family in the event of a general uprising. While there is a provision in the treaty effected just after the Crimean war prohibiting war ships from entering the Dardanelles, there is also a clause which permits the entry of one ship of each friendly power when Turkey is itself at war.

President Roosevelt has announced an important policy which is hereafter to govern the American consular service. With the greatly increased extension of the foreign trade of the United States, it has become daily more apparent that greater efficiency in the consular service was required and the president has determined to take a long step in the direction of promoting that efficiency by adopting a policy of promotion for consuls who have proved their ability. Hereafter, it is announced, no one will be appointed consul at an important post until he has served at a post of less importance for a sufficient time to demonstrate his ability and general fitness for promotion. While this policy does not extend to the consular service the protection of the civil service regulations, or necessary extend the tenure of office of the consuls, it is claimed that it does give to the commercial interests of this country assurance that in a comparatively brief time all important consular stations will be filled, not only by men of character and ability, but by men who, by training and experience, are especially fitted to advance the trade interests of the United States.

The president is likely to be soon called upon to decide an important controversy between the anthracite coal miners and the Department of Commerce and Labor. It appears that the coal operators have refused absolutely to submit to the representative of the Census Office the statistics regarding their affairs which the law provides shall be gathered and compiled by that office. The request for this information by

the census office was followed by a request for similar data from the Geological Survey and again the same uncompromising opposition was met with. As the principle involved is the same as that contained in the law creating the Bureau of Corporations in the Department of Commerce, the whole situation has been submitted to Secretary Cortlandt. He in turn, made a final appeal for the information to President Baer but Mr. Baer positively declined to furnish the desired data and the problem will now go to the president. Under the law, it is claimed, the operators who refuse to furnish the statistics called for by the government are liable to a penalty of \$10,000 and some of the officials believe that Mr. Baer and his colleagues are preparing to test that law.

Another important decision expected almost daily from the president is in the case of William Miller, the public printing office foreman who was expelled by the bookbinders' union, was discharged by Public Printer Palmer, was subsequently reinstated by order of the president and against whom charges have since been preferred by the union. Palmer has recommended Miller's discharge on the grounds furnished by the charges and his recommendation together with all the details of the case have been sent to Oyster Bay. With this material there also went to Oyster Bay the results of the special investigation of the methods employed in the printing office. These are said to include a recommendation that type-setting machines be installed in the office for at least a portion of the work and also that the task system be abolished, the task system being a stipulation on the part of the unions that only a limited amount of work be performed by each man per day.

Real Estate Transfers
John Gould to Joseph Gould, 38 acres, Lehman, part of Jacob Arnold, warrants, \$2 and maintenance.

John A. Eckback to Mangus O. Heagsted, 89 acres, Lackawaxen, \$500.

G. F. Rowland, administrator, to Henry Olson, 24 acres, Lackawaxen, \$2.

G. F. Rowland to Henry Olson, 24 acres, Lackawaxen, \$900.

The Edgemoor Club to Abram M. Baltier, 4 acres, land near Silver Lake, Delaware, \$65.

Julius Jaeger to W. G. Giles and P. O. Hess, 50 acres, Lackawaxen, \$170.

C. O. Westergaard to Jens Peter Hansen, 218 acres, Delaware, part of John Mease, No. 108, \$1.

J. F. Johnson to Lafayette Rowland, timber deed, 100 acres, Lackawaxen, \$47.

Thomas Moore to Della Mary Meade and others, lots 12, 13 and 129, Matamoras \$1.

John H. Cook to Elizabeth K. James, land in Lehman, near Bushkill, \$50.

HEMLOCK GROVE

The sunny, noisy, dashing stream,
Wildier than any poe's dream,
Sweeping all before with restless power,
Rushing madly onward, hour by hour.

Whirling, dashing and eddying away,
Hour by hour and day by day,
Chanting a wild fantastic song,
Over the stones it dances along.

Where now I sit to write these rhymes,
The Indian lurked in olden times,
Many a traveler, tired and sore,
Entered this grove to leave no more.

Many a warrior, low in hand, (stand)
Would by some tall, dark hemlock
Talking of love to brother's daughter,
Beside the laughing, rippling water.

And now, with centuries past and gone,
The work of civilization done,
We rest beneath the spreading trees,
Fanned by the zephyrs perfumed breeze.

Unclaimed Letters
Last of unclaimed letters remaining in the post office at Milford for the week ending Sept. 9, 1903:

Mrs. Wm. Hildbrand, Miss M. V. O'Brien, Miss Maud A. Deffenback, Miss Florence Morris, Ernest De Hart, James B. McMahon, 2.

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

What is Life?
In the last analysis nobody knows, but we do know that it is under strict law. Always that law even slightly, pain results. Irregular living means derangement of the organs, resulting in Constipation, Headache or Liver trouble. Dr. King's New Life Pills quickly adjust this. It's gentle, yet thorough. Only 25c at all druggists.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL NOTES

R. W. Smith of Paupac was in town on business last Monday.

T. R. J. Klein has been appointed a member of the Board of Health.

C. P. Mott recently visited his friend, John Hesslerer, down in Jersey.

Miss Addie Scott of Port Jervis is visiting her friend here, Miss Ann Baker.

Mrs. Dunham Gregory is visiting relatives at Binghamton and Lestershire, N. Y.

Miss Bertha Williamson is at present sojourning at Charlottesville, Virginia.

Dr. H. B. Reed and wife after an absence of several weeks on Long Island are home again.

Miss Lulu Lewis entertained a number of her friends at a social gathering Monday evening.

H. W. and Geo. Buchanan were in New York the first of the week to purchase a team of farm horses.

Frederick A. Beadel and wife of New York, who are regular visitors here, are domiciled at the Crissman House.

Henry W. Sandmeyer, representing the United States census office, has been in town this week collecting financial statistics.

Ex-county Treasurer George Daumann, accompanied by his niece, Miss Gertrude Gumbie, visited relatives in Paupac the first of the week.

Fred Kiser, who has been spending the summer at Prospect Bay up in Maine, is home for a few days and will return then to his studies at the U. P.

Richard Nills has gone to Montclair, N. J., to attend the High School there this winter and will live with the family of Hon. J. J. Hart.

Mrs. Anna Nichols and daughter, Miss Susan, who have been spending several weeks in town, returned to their home at Germantown, Pa., today.

Peter Radolph Pickell, who has recently undergone an operation for appendicitis at the New Rochelle hospital, is now in town and improving.

A. H. Chadburn of Overbrook and party passed through town Monday bound for Philadelphia in a large auto which they had rode in from Maine.

Geo. R. Bull, E. Vandermark and Lucian Westbrook after attending the democratic state convention at Harrisburg last week visited the historic field of Gettysburg.

Among those who spent Labor Day in town were Vivian Struthers and M. M. Wells of New York, Al Molleaux and wife of Philadelphia, and Geo. H. Buchanan of Port Jervis.

Mrs. W. S. Ryman and daughter, Vera, will leave next Monday for a visit of several weeks with her mother and brother at Sparta, Wisconsin, and will also go to Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minnesota.

Clyde Kipp has gone to attend the East Stroudsburg Normal. He desires great commendation for his determination to obtain a liberal education and with his good natural ability will no doubt succeed in making his mark.

Among those attending the Stroudsburg Fair last week from the county were Thomas Lits and wife, Mrs. Nancy Labar and two children of Bushkill, John Hanners and wife of Dolowitz, C. Hermann, wife and granddaughter, Geo. Smith, Stanton Supple, Louis deBerlie, Az Davis, Ed Klein, Thomas Steele and Roscoe Courlay, of Milford.

Democratic State Ticket
The democratic state convention which met at Harrisburg, Sept. 2, placed the following named in nomination: For State Treasurer Joel G. Hill of Wayne, Auditor General Arthur G. Dewalt of Lehigh. For Judges of Superior Court Calvin Byburn of Armstrong and John A. Ward of Philadelphia.

Does His Life to a Neighbor's Kindness
Mr. D. P. Daugherty, well known throughout Mercer and Sumner counties, W. Va., most likely owes his life to the kindness of a neighbor. He was almost hopelessly afflicted with diarrhoea; was attended by two physicians who gave him little, if any relief, when a neighbor brought him a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, which cured him in less than twenty-four hours. For sale by Balch & Son, Matamoras, all general stores in Pike county.

GAME AND FISH LAWS

A Synopsis from the Digest of the State Secretary Showing What is and What is Not Lawful

Inasmuch as the hunting season is approaching it will be of interest to all intending to engage in that sport to know the law.

Dr. Joseph Kalbfus, secretary of the state game commission, has issued an exhaustive digest of the game and fish laws and warden and forestry laws of Pennsylvania, which includes all the laws passed in the state bearing upon those matters. The following gives the birds and animals that may be killed in Pennsylvania, giving the seasons and number that may be killed by any person:

Doves, no limit, any time.

Fox, deer or fawn, two in one year, November only.

English, Mongolian or Chinese Pheasants, unlimited, October 15 to December 15, inclusive.

Ruffed grouse, commonly called pheasants, ten in one day, October 15 to December 15, inclusive.

Hare or rabbit, no limit—unlawful to use ferret, November 1 to December 15, inclusive.

Quail or Virginia partridge, fifteen in one day, October 15 to December 15, inclusive.

Rail birds, reed birds, no limit, September, October and November.

Web-footed wild fowl, unlimited—sail or steamboat swivel guns and cannon illegal, September 1st to May 1st.

Wild turkey, two in one day, October 15 to December 15, inclusive.

Woodcock, ten in one day, October 15 to December 15, inclusive.

Squirrel—gray, black and fox, unlimited, October 15 to December 15, inclusive.

Plover, unlimited, July 15th to Jan. 1st.

Flickers, highlanders, wackups, meadow larks, song and insect-eating birds not to be killed.

Non-residents of the state and unaturalized foreign born residents in the state must pay a license to hunt. Carrying a gun in the fields, wood or on the water shall be prima facie evidence of a violation, \$25 for each offense and a forfeit of all guns and hunting paraphernalia.

It is illegal to discharge any flobert rifle, air gun, spring gun or any implement which impels with force a metal pellet of any kind on any street or alley of any city or borough of Pennsylvania.—Act of April 15, 1903.

Imprisonment does not prevent selling hunting paraphernalia unless fine and costs are paid.

Homing or Antwerp pigeons not to be shot.

Hunting grouse at night prohibited.

Wolves, bears, woodchucks, coons, possums, foxes, wildcats, mink, weasels, skunks, porcupine and muskrats may be killed at any time.

Also English sparrows, kingfisher, Cooker's hawk, pigeon hawk, great horned owl, green heron and night heron.

All wild animals and birds may be killed at any time in defence of one's person or property, but the right cannot be given to another who wishes to hunt illegally.

FISH LAWS

The following summary shows when fish may be taken, how taken and the number:

All unlimited, except brook trout, of which only fifty may be taken in one day.

Rock bass, white bass, strawberry or green bass and crappie, not less than five inches.

Black bass, not less than seven inches in the state, or nine inches in Lake Erie.

Green or Oswego bass, blue pike, pike, perch or walleyed pike, Susquehanna jack salmon, pickerel or muscalonge, not less than nine inches, except in Lake Erie, muscalonge must be fifteen inches long.

The above fish may be caught from June 15 to February 15.

Pembocot salmon or grise, not less than three pounds each in weight, March 1 to August 15, inclusive.

Trout, any species, except lake trout, six inches long, April 15 to July 31, inclusive. Lake or salmon trout not less than nine inches, January 1 to September 1, inclusive.

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To Cure a Cold in One Day
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grover's signature is on each box—25c.

INTERESTING NEWS ITEMS

Back on the hills, Monday morning, the thermometer registered 47, here it was 52.

Mrs. Kate McCown is giving her house, on George street, a coat of fresh paint which looks very neat.

A marriage license has been granted Lester W. Woolsey of Port Jervis and Nellie E. Westfall of Matamoras.

At the conference held last Saturday at Stroudsburg, Hon. Charles B. Staples was unanimously nominated by the democrats for president judge.

Letters of administration on the estate of Martha F. Ratcliffe, late of Milford, deceased, have been issued to John Ratcliffe.

John T. Van Auken of Montague was arrested last week at the instance of his wife for beating her and in default of \$200 bail was taken to Newton.

Leon Schanno was arrested this week on complaint of P. N. Bourgeois for shooting the latter's dog. Defendant gave bail for a hearing next week.

The public schools opened Tuesday. The two higher departments have rooms in the Sawkill House and the primary departments remain in the Old Academy.

The county commissioners were at Rowlands Tuesday and contracted the mason work for the bridge across Westfalls Creek to A. G. Rowland for \$200.

Stephen Drake, Jr., of Dark Swamp was found guilty last Saturday before Burgess Chamberlain of using profane language and paid a fine of \$3 and costs.

Down in Berks county apples are selling at eight cents a bushel, and potatoes are so fine and plentiful that it is expected they will sell for thirty cents a bushel.

Typhoid fever is epidemic at Carbondale, Pa. New cases are occurring daily and the disease is unusually virulent. So far no well founded theory has been advanced for the unfortunate condition.

Chas. Webster, charged with stealing a revolver, razor and \$35 in cash from W. H. Kiser of Westfall township, was committed to jail here last Saturday. The goods, but not the money, were found in his possession.

The republican convention to nominate a candidate for President Judge of this district will be held at the Crissman House, tomorrow, Sept. 12th. The conferees from Monroe will be A. R. Brittan, Esq., C. B. Keller, Jr., and John S. Schoonover and those from Pike Alfred Marvin, Esq., J. H. Van Etten and Dr. R. G. Barkley.

Shamrock III was outstayed by Reliance in three straight races and the cup stays here. It is possible that there will be no more contests with purely racing machines, and that the future yacht will be built to serve some useful purpose. Sir Thomas Lipton now has three very costly toys on his hands which for all practical purposes are worthless, they are not even amusing.

New Millinery Store

I have returned from the City with a large assortment of Millinery Goods and have the latest styles of outing hats and trimmed hats. I will have the opening Sept. 17, 18 and 19. The public is invited to call and see my stock.

FLORENCE F. KAUL,
Hartford street.
Three doors from Dinwiddie House.

In a little friendly joint debate in Hazark, Ark., the other day, Judge Wood of the state Supreme court who is opposing Governor Davis as a candidate for a third term, because angry at some question propounded by Governor Davis and administered an upper cut which knocked the governor off the speaking stand, four feet to the ground. It would have been embarrassing if the judge had been tackled up on a charge of assault and battery for attacking the governor of the state and its Supreme court decisions delayed thereby.

Stomach Trouble

"I have been troubled with my stomach for the past four years," says D. L. Birch, of Clover Neck Farm, Greenfield, Mass. "A few days ago I was induced to buy a box of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. I have taken part of them and feel a great deal better." If you have any trouble with your stomach try a box of these Tablets. You are certain to be pleased with the result. Price 25 cents. For sale by Balch & Son, Matamoras, all general stores in Pike Co.

MUNICIPAL WORK FOR WOMEN

Women, if Allowed, Would Make Excellent Officers in Keeping Municipalities in Good Cleanly Condition.

"The Making of a City" was the subject of a recent lecture by Prof. Charles Genbin of the University of Chicago. It is a lecture replete with valuable suggestions for civic clubs.

The professor says: "The housewives of the city know a great deal more about cleaning and keeping clean, than the busy hard-headed business men who are supposed to look after the streets. The term municipal housekeeping is not a misnomer. Therefore the task of cleaning the streets, and keeping them clean, should be turned over to the housewives, who are experienced, in fact, of being left to be mismanaged by business men."

This is practical advice. It is absurd to entrust the housekeeping of a city to men who could not run their individual homes without the assistance of women. City mothers would never endure the blundering results frequently perpetrated by city fathers. In one district of Philadelphia the streets are swept one day, and followed the next day by the collection of ashes and garbage. The flying papers and dirt attendant on this collection remains on the streets until the next weekly sweeping. What competent councilwoman would tolerate such reversed housekeeping, city or domestic?

Taxpayers women everywhere should insist in the ballot as the means of protection to the home. Until women can elect candidates to fill municipal positions, it is a vain struggle for thorough and efficient municipal housekeeping. The ballot places our city rulers in power, and constituents are rewarded with opportunities and positions. As women cannot vote, and are not constituents, how can they obtain the opportunity to serve the housekeeping of the city? IDA PORTER BOYER.

Driving Park Races

The last races of the season occurring at the Driving Park last Saturday and were fairly attended. The result follows:

3.00 CLASS—PURSE \$25
Mande, B. E. Brown, 3 0 0
Kitty B., J. H. Brown, 1 1 1
Cyclone, Bahmos, 2 2 2
Time—2:52, 57, 57 1/2.

MATCH RACE—PURSE \$25
King B., Syndicate, 2 1 1
Polonium, Smith, 1 2 2
Time—2:49 1/2, 39 1/2, 40.

RUNNING RACE, 1 MILE—PURSE \$25
Alward, Alward, 1 2 1
Bodie, Bodie, 2 3 2
Andrew Jackson, Smith, 3 1 3
Time—1:05, 1:04, 1:05.

Alward also went an exhibition half mile in 51 seconds, proving herself a fleet footed little mare.

General Crop Conditions

In the southern and central sections of the corn belt the early crop is maturing rapidly and late corn in the great corn states has made satisfactory progress. An average crop of apples is promised from portions of New England and the Middle Atlantic States while in other sections they are dropping. Buckwheat is generally good. Potatoes are fast declining owing to blight and rot. Tomatoes rotting and blighting badly, lima beans affected by mold and garden produce generally backward and unsatisfactory. In the southern states drought is seriously affecting farmers and retarding their work.

Ex-Governor and Senator Hill's celebration of his sixtieth birthday recalls an unusually long list of political failures.

The Kansas City Star, a staid and reliable paper announces that the "situation at Panama is unimproved considerably."

Mr. Littlefield will probably respond to the Canadian proposition to buy and annex the state of Maine.

FOR SALE—Fresh cow, 5 years old, with 11, one week old, by her side. Apply to JOSEPH C. WEAVER, near Centre. P. O. address Dingmans, Pa.

Buckley's Arnica Salve

Has world-wide fame for marvelous cures. It surpasses any other salve, lotion, ointment or balm for Cuts, Lorns, Burns, Boils, Sores, Felons, Ulcers, Tetter, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Chapped Hands, Skin Eruptions; infallible for Piles. Cure guaranteed. Only 25c. at all druggists.

THE RAMBLER'S PICKINGS

Our village looks deserted. The new lockup is completed. Soon the leaves will begin to fall. Frank Van Campen has returned from Edgemoor.

The number of inmates in the stone hotel is increasing. It is reported that the condition of Moses Detrick is critical.

Euchre and religion go hand in hand. How about poker? The swallows are going south, and city people are going home.

Frank Seitz and wife enjoyed a drive to Long Island this week. Sore throats are getting common of late, but so far nothing serious is reported.

When flour is selling for six dollars per barrel western farmers should not complain. The old Dispatch office is coming down to make room for a more modern building.

We didn't have any Labor Day parade here. Everything passed off the same as usual, only the Bank was closed.

The corn crop in this section promises to be a failure. As usual the cry of rotten potatoes is started. But the crop is reported good.

Ben Kye now has a rival in the horse trading line. Jas. Quick of Schuocopee traded three times in three days. The next trade will be for a mule.

The Two Orphan's produced in the Milford opera house drew a big crowd. I guess everybody got their money's worth and no doubt, listening to the sweet tones of the piano.

The horse racing season is over so far as the Milford Driving Park is concerned for this year. At the last two races there was some kicking done and no doubt somebody was dissatisfied.

So the Turks are getting mad and killing a few Christians because Uncle Sam has sent a couple warships over there. Now Uncle Sam may take it into his head to send a few of his boys over there who may indulge in a little killing off of Musselmans to make the thing even.

Public Land Stealing

The grave charges made against Secretary Hitchcock have further basis than the attempts of irresponsible newspaper men to create sensational news. It is rumored that the efforts to secure Mr. Hitchcock's downfall emanate from those who have been defeated in their efforts at public land stealing by the secretary's investigations and rulings. Examinations into and light thrown upon the land grabs in the Indian Territory, and throughout the entire west will lead to radical reform in the land laws; if the president and his secretary of the interior have their way. Congress will be strongly appealed to to put an end to existing conditions, under which land robbing is easy, both of the nation and of bona fide settlers. The grafters may proceed legally, but they evade the spirit of the law through technicalities. The land office records show thousands of acres of timber land being sold every month at \$2.50 which is known to be worth \$50 an acre. It passes at once into the hands of timber speculators. Legislation should be so shaped that dummy entries on the public domain are impossible and to prevent speculators, cattle barons and large stock interests gaining control and ownership of vast tracts of grazing lands. It is recommended that the desert land act be repealed; also that the commutation clause of the homestead act be removed and that the timber and stone law be repealed.

WANTED—FAITHFUL PERSON TO

Travel and supervise force of sales people and make collections for manufacturing house. Straight salary \$20.00 a week and expense money advanced. Previous experience unnecessary. Local territory. Business successful. Position permanent. Enclose self-addressed envelope. Superintendant, 224 Dearborn street, Chicago.

Fearful Odds Against Him

Edridden, alone and destitute. Such, in brief was the condition of an old soldier by name of J. J. Havens, Versailles, O. For years he was troubled with Kidney disease and neither doctors nor medicines gave him relief. At length he tried Electric Bitters. It put him on his feet in short order and now he testifies: "I'm on the road to complete recovery." Beat on earth for Liver and Kidney troubles and all forms of Stomach and Bowel complaints. Only 50c. Guaranteed by all druggists.