

## WASHINGTON LETTER.

[From our Regular Correspondent.]

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14, 1908.

Statesmen, politicians and journalists, of whom there are always many in Washington whether Congress is in session or during vacation, are just now devoting themselves to cabinet making and to the discussion of the senatorial prospects of various men prominent in political and official life, with side glances at the tariff tinkering which is going on in the office halls of the House of Representatives, west of the Capitol.

It has been the expectation of many that Secretary Root would be retained as premier, or the head of Taft's cabinet, but it is now known that the distinguished secretary cannot be retained by President-elect Taft. He and the President elect are close friends. Their association for years at President Roosevelt's cabinet table has built up a mutual regard and confidence, but Secretary Root seeks another and a more active field. "Seek" perhaps is not the word. It is being thrust upon him. He is not and has never been a seeker or a candidate, but in this case, as in others, the office is seeking the man. It is expected that he will succeed Senator Platt of New York and the contrast between the two men is sharp enough to mark an era and emphasize a revolution. Thousands, perhaps millions of pessimists will take heart and hope when the attorneyship of the express companies shall, in the person of Senator Platt, be removed from the floor of the Senate, and when a man of the fame and force of Root shall represent, in the American House of Peers, the most populous and the wealthiest state of the Union. He will do more than represent the state; he will represent the United States and his counsel and influence will not be withheld from his friend in the White House.

The Postmaster General has completed his report which will go with the President's message to Congress. It shows a deficit of over 16 millions of dollars, the greatest deficit in the history of the Department. The reason of this deficit is that the Government permits the express companies to filch from it the profitable end of the mail carrying business. The Department is employing over thirty thousand carriers on the rural routes and some of these are able to put in their pockets all the mail that they carry. But this country lags behind the rest of the civilized world and a large portion of the half civilized or barbaric peoples of Asia, and is without the parcels post, a most important and necessary appendage of modern life. "There are four objections to the parcels post" said Postmaster General Wanamaker years ago. "They are the four express companies." But if there was a parcels post, such as they have in all European countries and in some Asiatic countries; such as they have in Egypt and northern Africa, eighteen millions of persons who are served by the rural route system could have a greatly superior and actually indispensable service and instead of a yearly deficit of millions of dollars, the postal service would be a source of profit to the Government.

Two definite and positive statements have been made regarding the personnel of Mr. Taft's cabinet. One is that he has given the question of cabinet appointments no consideration and will not do so for several weeks; and the other is that no promises in regard to the cabinet officers were made directly or indirectly during the campaign. Nevertheless, the self-appointed cabinet makers have been busy night and day since the election, and enough names have been submitted to fill half a dozen cabinets. Among the names presented is that of a wealthy New Yorker known in Washington from his relations to the Panama Canal transaction in which the French Government disposed of its rights in that enterprise for forty million of dollars. His name is William Nelson Cromwell. Mr. Cromwell is said to be ambitious to enter the cabinet as Secretary of State and it is known that his friends are urging his selection upon Mr. Taft. It is understood that he rendered valuable service during the recent campaign, to say nothing of a large contribution.

Postmaster General George von L. Meyer is also much talked of for the first place in the cabinet. He is from Massachusetts; has been minister to Russia and has been an active and efficient cabinet minister in his present position. It would be flattering however, to say that he is of the intellectual dimensions of the present Secretary of State. He is, however, a safe and sane man, capable of taking advice and the history of the country has demonstrated that he can get along after a fashion without brilliancy or genius in cabinet officers.

## Taking a Vacation.

Our old friend and subscriber John May, of Sterling Run, who for 37 years has been a faithful employe of the Pennys R. R., was visiting in town on Monday, while enroute to visit his son Chas., who is manager of the W. G. Putnam & Co's five and ten cent stores at Jacksonville, Ills. Like father the son is a red hot Taft Republican and spelled ox when he voted. Our Cameron county boys always make good when they have a chance and are reliable and trustworthy. Friend May is proud of his son and well may he. He anticipates a good visit.

## An Efficient Foreman.

Arthur Johnson, Pennys R. R. Section Foreman, in charge of the road between Fenton's and Cameron, was a caller at the PRESS sanctum on Monday and added his name to our rapidly increasing list of subscribers. Mr. Johnson has been in charge of this work for over three years and takes pride in his work, as all Swedes do when they are given responsible positions. Our people are proud of their Swedish citizens and welcome them to our county.

## School Reports.

Report of Emporium Schools for second month:

Enrollment for term, males 317, females 350, total 667.

Enrollment for month, males 310, females 341, total 651.

Average attendance, males 292, females 313, total 615.

Percentage of attendance, males 93, females 95, total 95.

Pupils present every day, 361; pupils tardy, 79; tardy marks, 158; number of visitors, 47.

## Small Potatoes.

The man who refuses to advertise his business because it will cost him something is as foolish as the man who refuses to be saved from drowning because he fears he might have to pay a reward.—Ridgway Record.

Every community is blessed (?) with this class of individuals, but they cut a mighty little swath in the business world. The day has passed when a merchant can prosper without advertising. The average reader patronizes the liberal advertiser. See.

## Mountain Mission Church.

EDITOR PRESS:—Will you permit us, through your paper, to say a few words about the Mountain Mission Church, at Castle Garden—what has been done and what is to be done yet. It is all finished up to the pulpit and carpeting. We are in need of money to purchase them. We would also be glad to accept contributions, however small for this work. Who will help us? The building presents a neat appearance and is an ornament to Castle Garden and speaks well for the fidelity of the church. One hundred chairs was placed last week; through the efforts of Miss Bessie McPhee a very nice and valuable chandelier is in position and before long she will have another. All honor to Miss Bessie. Now for the pulpit and carpet, and then comes the dedication unto the Lord. Our thanks are due to all who so nobly responded to our appeal for help in erecting the church. Especially our thanks are due to Hon. Josiah Howard for his very liberal contributions.

J. M. ENGLISH.

## School Notes.

The new apparatus ordered for the High School Science Department has been received and is adding considerable interest to the study of Physics. The apparatus includes a static electric machine donated by the Class of 1908, a guinea and feather and vacuum fountain tube donated by the Class of 1910, and air pump, lift pump, force pump, leyden jar, Magdeburg Hemispheres and many other pieces. The total cost is \$88.47, all of which has been raised by the efforts of pupils and teachers. The equipment is by no means complete but a start has been made and it is hoped that more can be added from time to time as funds can be collected.

The literary society has been re-organized by the High School students and holds meetings on alternate Friday afternoons. On account of the Thanksgiving holiday the next meeting will be held on Wednesday afternoon, Nov. 25th. The exercises begin usually at 2:45 and last to 4:00 o'clock. Parents and friends are invited to these meetings as well as the regular sessions of the schools.

## Turkeys and Geese.

Another lot of those fine turkeys and big fat geese at reasonable prices at J. A. Fisher's blacksmith shop, Saturday evening, Nov. 21, 1908, at 8 o'clock. Come and get yours.

## DEATH'S DOINGS

SHADMAN.

SAMUEL SHADMAN, an aged and much respected citizen of Emporium quietly passed to the Great Beyond, on Tuesday morning, about 4:30 o'clock. His death was very peaceful, his life having ended while he slept. Deceased was born at Hamburg, Pa. Sept. 17, 1825 and was 83 years and two months old. He was a most loyal subject to our Country, having fought in two of her great wars. As a soldier in the great Mexican War, and for a good record was made First Lieutenant and while home on a furlough, married Miss Mary St. Clair, of Pottsville, Pa., Nov. 23, 1847. This estimable old couple have been residents of Emporium for about 26 years, having moved here in 1882. On Nov. 23, 1897, they celebrated the golden anniversary of their marriage, having lived together for nearly 61 years, and the death is a severe blow to his aged help-mate. What more noble record can be, than is Mr. Shadman's, fighting for the Red, White and Blue, during the Mexican and Civil Wars and was anxious to defend the cause during the Spanish-American War, but on account of his advanced age was persuaded to remain at home, in peace and quiet.

Deceased is survived by his wife and seven children, namely: Mrs. George Grove, of Harrisburg; Mrs. I. E. Whitaker, of Chicago; Mrs. Grace Reightark, of Philadelphia; Harry of Mohanington, Pa.; Geo. B., of Washington, D. C.; Raymond, of DuBois and Winfield S., of Dumont, N. J., also 15 grand-children and one great-grandchild. The funeral will be held on Friday morning at 10:30 o'clock from Emmanuel Episcopal Church and interment will take place at Williamsport, in Wildwood Cemetery. Deceased will be buried with full masonic honors; the G. A. R., will attend funeral services, as he was a member of both organizations. The family have the sincere sympathy of the PRESS and a host of friends.

## EDGOMB.

We are pained to announce the death of another of our old and respected citizens, Mr. Henry Edgomb, in his 81st year. Mr. Edgomb came to Cameron county in 1864 and engaged in lumbering with Jas. Ryan under the firm name of Edgomb & Ryan. In those days pine lumber was considered the only timber worth looking at and Edgomb & Ryan conducted an extensive operation. About 1880 he retired from the lumber business and engaged in the mercantile business until a few months ago when ill health compelled his retirement. His life has been an active one and we often enjoyed talking with our friend. When a young man he went from his home in Maine to South Carolina and conducted a plantation but when he was told to abuse the poor slave he threw up his job and came to Pennsylvania. Deceased leaves one daughter, Miss Edith, who has faithfully cared for her father and kept their comfortable home, corner Fifth and Chestnut streets, since the death of Mrs. Edgomb, several years ago. Everybody had a good word for Henry Edgomb, for all who knew him when he was a gentleman of means, remember his liberality and charitableness. Even in his declining years he was generous to a fault and was grossly imposed upon by many he took compassion on and fed.

In politics Mr. Edgomb was an old-time square toed Republican and could tell you very bluntly why he was one. The afflicted family have the sympathy of our citizens.

The funeral services will be held tomorrow (Friday) afternoon, at two o'clock, from the family residence, Rev. Anderson to officiate.

## Her First Vote.

Mrs. Golda Lyons-Groves, formerly of Emporium, but now a citizen of River Portal, Col., where the doctor is located, writes the PRESS as follows: "Hurray for Cameron. PRESS just received. I am dee-delighted. I cast my first vote for Taft and voted straight." Mrs. Groves was employed in PRESS business office for several years before she was married and was an enthusiastic Republican.

## Warning.

All persons are hereby forbidden from trespassing upon the property of this Company without a permit from this office, or the Manager at the works. KEYSTONE POWDER MFG. CO. Emporium, Pa., August 1st, 1903 24-1f.

Use DeWitt's Carbolized Witch Hazel Salve—it is healing, cooling and cleansing. It is especially good for piles. Sold by R. C. Dodson.

## Fever Patients.

Messrs. R. E. Irwin and W. W. Ritter, of Harrisburg, representing the State Board of Health, arrived in Emporium last Saturday, accompanied by district nurse, Miss Alice M. O'Hollarron, of Philadelphia, and promptly took charge in conjunction with Dr. H. S. Falk and the local Board of Health. Thos. Smith, Jr., was taken to Ridgway hospital by the state nurse. The patients, now fifteen in number, are all doing as well as can be expected. Some are very ill, especially Mrs. E. J. Smith and Miss Inez Logan. Seven or eight professional nurses are now here. Miss O'Hollarron thinks they have the disease well in hand. No new cases reported since Monday.

Every precaution has been taken to check the spread of the disease. One case has made its appearance since our last issue, the victim being a Hungarian lady, who resides in one of the "Bosworth Row" dwellings. The house in which she lives is occupied by several fellow countrymen. Efforts are being made to have the patient taken to a hospital but her friends are loath to do so.

During the last three or four months more cases of typhoid have been reported than any of our readers supposed, at the same time the PRESS continually urged the public to use all precaution against the spread of the dreaded disease, and now it has been proven that our urgent appeal to our citizens to be cautious about using any water without boiling the same was correct. The tests made, or being made, of the water samples taken from the Borough supply, used for domestic purposes, may, on account of the low condition of the water, have been contaminated by typhoid fever germs from that section. What the harvest will be? shall be told no doubt in the very near future.

The efforts of the Borough Board of Health, in conjunction with the State is to be commended and the hearty cooperation of all good citizens is urged.

## Manicure and Chiropodist.

On Thursday of this week, I will open quarters in the Crane Block, four doors east of the post office, where I will be pleased to meet any who may need my services as manicure and chiropodist. Hair shampoo and face massage given careful attention. Manicure services 25 cents per week to regular customers.

TRESSIE LAUMER.

## New Runs—R. R. Changes.

Commencing with Monday, the "Flyers" run from Renovo to Buffalo without changing crews. It is rumored there will be a change all around in the near future and that trains will run from Erie to Emporium and from Harrisburg to Emporium. If the latter changes take place it will place a number of crews here.

## On Bridal Trip.

Dr. A. B. Mead and bride, who were married at the home of the bride at Corry, Pa., Nov. 12th, stopped off at Emporium Monday and met many of the Doctor's friends. The PRESS sanctum enjoyed a business and social call from the happy couple, the Dr. being one of our subscribers. We enjoyed their visit very much and found the bride a very pleasant lady and we believe will make the Dr. a good kind help-mate. They received the hearty congratulations of the genial doctor's many friends, who regretted their stay in Emporium was of such short duration.

## Good Business.

L. Spalla & Co's manager, Mr. Anthony Barone, is doing a nice business in the fruit line and is very gentlemanly in his treatment and trade with our merchants.

## NEW TO-DAY.

R. Kuehne—New Adv.  
Humphrey Med Co.—New adv.  
Mrs. Coppersmith—New adv.  
Jasper Harris—New adv.  
Misses Ludlam—New adv.  
Geo. J. LaBar—New adv.  
J. H. Day—New adv.  
First National Bank—New adv.  
Doan's Kidney Pills.—Local.  
Pennsylvania Railroad—New adv.  
Rexall Remedies—New adv.  
H. A. Zarp & Co.—New Adv.  
Adam, Meldrum & Anderson Co.—new adv.  
H. S. Lloyd.—New Adv.  
Sizerville Mineral Water Co.—New Adv.

English Spavin Liniment removed Hard, Soft or Calloused Lumps and Blemishes from horses; also Blood Spavins, Curbs, Splints, Sweeney, Ring Bone, Stiffles, Sprains, Swollen Throats, Coughs, etc. Save \$50 by use of one bottle. A wonderful Blemish Cure. Sold by L. Taggart, druggist. 32-6f.

## Emporium Ladies Win.

The long contest for a Trip to Bermuda Islands, offered by the Williamsport Bulletin closed Tuesday night at 12 o'clock. The total number of votes were as follows: Misses Lena McDonald and Christie McDonald, 433,091 votes; Misses Bessie Mildred and Rose Forster, of St. Marys had 282,544 votes; Misses Stella Nitrow and Frances Maher, of Kane, had 206,908 votes; Misses Codigan and Snarburg, of Johnsonburg, had 144,476 votes; Misses McGovern and Lechinger, of Ridgway, had 6,275 votes. The committee awarded the first prize to the Misses McDonald; second to St. Marys; third to Kane. The loyal support of the Emporium ladies is indeed gratifying. They were showered with congratulations early this morning. Good.

## Mighty Hunters.

A gang of Nimrods from town are up Clear Creek after game. James Wright, F. F. Hilliker and Chas. Cummings pitched their tent last Sunday in order to be ready for the following day, when they were joined by Ollie Miller, of Schuylkill county, and Chas. Walsh, from Ridgway. The writer of this had the pleasure of visiting the camp, "I he Hemlock," it is called. The boys have fitted up one of Howard & Co's vacant camps with provisions for ten days outing, cots, bedding, etc. Each man has at least two guns, a revolver or two, several knives, snowshoes, and some toy balloons. The gentleman from Schuylkill region is quite elated over the prospect of getting something big. His experience being limited he was afraid to go into the brush the first day he went out, for fear there might be Indians still left, laying for his scalp. He ridiculed the mountains and says they are nothing but hills compared with the mountains down his way, where you had to use a ladder or block and tackle to ascend them. But, on returning to camp at night he said he would certainly petition the Board of Health to have street and sidewalks laid out through these hills and valleys, for he did not intend to walk himself to death up here.

Say, but as hunters these fellows do take the onions for fair. Five of them, with three dogs, after one rabbit, shot three or four times each and the rabbit went on its way unharmed. The famous chef with them expected a series of game dinners to cook, but if he does he will have to take the wood axe out and hit a bear or pheasant on the head. But, in all seriousness, "Camp Hemlock" certainly does contain a jolly crowd and if any of their friends do call they will be royally entertained. Wait and see. L. W.

## Emmanuel Church Notice.

Nov. 22, Sunday next, before Advent: 10:30 a. m., Morning Prayer and Sermon. This Sunday is observed as Boys' Brigade Sunday. 12 m., Sunday School. 7:30 p. m., Evening Prayer and Sermon.

Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 26th, 10 a. m., Morning Prayer and Sermon. It is expected that during the first week in Advent (beginning Nov. 29) the Rector will be assisted by the Rev. Mr. Redcliff, of Ridgway, in holding services every evening.

## Notice.

If the person that was seen to pick up my pocket book, on Wednesday, Nov. 11th, between one and two p. m., will return same to me, no questions will be asked and no names made public.

M. J. MACKAY.

## First Methodist Church.

Rev. J. F. Anderson and family will return this week from a two week's vacation. Next Sunday communion services will be conducted in this church, both in the morning and evening, beginning with love feast at 9:30 a. m.

## Company M Attention!

RIDGWAY, PA., Nov. 11, 1908.

BATTALION ORDER, No. 4.  
Pursuant to Regimental Order No. 3 and in compliance with General Order No. 11, Company M will assemble at their headquarters, Sunday, Nov. 22, at 10 a. m., and then proceed to Emmanuel Episcopal Church, for the purpose of attending divine worship. Sunday, Nov. 22, is observed as Boys' Brigade Sunday.

The boys will wear full uniform without arms; officers and non-commissioned officers white gloves.

By order of

B. TH. BLISS,  
Major 5th Regt., U. B. B. A.

## Flats for Rent.

Four new flats for rent. All conveniences. 34-4f. R. SEGER.

## THE WEATHER.

FRIDAY, Fair.  
SATURDAY, Fair.  
SUNDAY, Fair.

## ASSETS

## First National Bank,

EMPORIUM, PA.

At the close of business Nov. 18, 1908,

\$802,432.18

## SICKNESS.

Possibly you now have money in this Bank. Very good. If not, you should begin right away to lay aside small sums. Should sickness or adversity overtake you, you will need the money.

\$1.00 Starts an Account.

3% INTEREST PAID ON CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT.

## DR. LEON REX FELT,

DENTIST.

Rockwell Block, Emporium, Pa.

## DR. H. W. MITCHELL,

DENTIST,

(Successor to Dr. A. B. Mead.)

Office over A. F. Vogt's Shoe Store, Emporium, Pa. 12y

## Council Proceedings.

Regular meeting Borough Council, Emporium, November 2, 1908.

No quorum. R. C. MOORE, Sec'y.

Special meeting Borough Council, Emporium, November 10, 1908.

Present: Messrs. Marshall and Friendel.

No quorum. R. C. MOORE, Sec'y.

Adjourned special meeting Borough Council, Emporium, Nov. 11, 1908.

Present: Messrs. White, Marshall, Friendel, Goodnough, Mumford, Hamilton, Cummings and Norris.

Absent: Mr. Rishell.

The President explained that special meeting was called for the purpose of taking up matter of sewage purification with Commissioner of Health, Harrisburg, Pa., and for any other business that may come before the Council.

Moved by Mr. Goodnough, seconded by Mr. White, that the proper Borough Officers sign letter to Commissioner of Health, as presented by Johnson & McNarney, Borough Attorneys, and file copy of same with Borough papers. Unanimously carried.

Moved by Mr. Hamilton, seconded by Mr. White, that exonerations asked for by Mrs. Liston be laid over until next regular meeting. Carried.

The bills were read and Mr. Hamilton moved, seconded by Mr. Marshall, that all bills as read be paid: Carried.

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| John Welsh, Work on Streets and Sewers, \$30.22        |  |
| James Murry, do do 21.36                               |  |
| Tony Vaila, do do 4.37                                 |  |
| James Davin, do do 4.37                                |  |
| Chas. Malloy, do do 1.75                               |  |
| John Gauntz, do do 1.75                                |  |
| Dan Shugart, do do 6.25                                |  |
| R. P. Bingham, do do 10.50                             |  |
| A. Loucks, do do 4.00                                  |  |
| Herman Anderson, do do 1.25                            |  |
| George Narby, Police Service, do do 2.00               |  |
| Anson Swartwood, do do 2.00                            |  |
| Asa Murry, do do 2.00                                  |  |
| Gus Whitmer, do do 2.00                                |  |
| H. C. Howard Co., Invoice, do do 12.60                 |  |
| Haupt & Gerg, Invoice, do do 3.95                      |  |
| Emporium Iron Co., Invoice, do do 4.91                 |  |
| Emporium Machine Co., Invoice, do do 45.88             |  |
| Grant S. Allen, Insurance Li. Lt. Plant., do do 54.50  |  |
| General Electric Co., Invoice, do do 10.70             |  |
| Westinghouse Elec. & Mfg Co., Invoice, do do 7.90      |  |
| Robertson Electric Co., Invoice, do do 29.80           |  |
| St. Marys Gas Co., Gas for Sept. and Oct., do do 59.90 |  |

Moved by Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Mumford, that exonerations asked by Collector Glenn be granted, with exceptions of Charles Pappazonia and Henry Edgcomb. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Cummings, seconded by Mr. Norris, that crossing on Broad street opposite James Creighton's property be put in between the two trees. Carried.

On motion Council then adjourned. R. C. MOORE, Sec'y.

## Religious.

Preaching at the Presbyterian church next Sabbath by Rev. Joseph Stockton Roddy, of Harrisburg, Pa., and on the following Sabbath Nov. 22, it is expected that Rev. H. M. McDermott, of Port Kennedy, will fill said pulpit. Both of these gentlemen are considered ble preachers.

## Lost.

A child's white fur, on Fifth street, between Popular street and Woodland Ave. Finder will please leave same at PRESS office.