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THE WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., MAY 27, 1901.
Senator Lodge is to be made chairman of the senate committee on foreign relations as soon as the next session of congress opens, and will at once move for the abrogation of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty. That is the sum and substance of current gossip among prominent republicans, and it is contemplated by the Clayton-Bulwer treaty. That is the sum and substance of current gossip among prominent republicans, and it is contemplated by the Clayton-Bulwer treaty. That is the sum and substance of current gossip among prominent republicans, and it is contemplated by the Clayton-Bulwer treaty.

Secretary Root has listened to statements of representatives of the five cadets dismissed from West Point last week with his approval for insubordination, and has informed the young men very candidly that, while he would see that their statements were investigated, he was perfectly satisfied that their punishment was just and fully deserved and hadn't the slightest idea that the investigation would result in any change in the sentences. These young men chose a very unfortunate time to get into trouble with the authorities at the military academy, as ever since the disclosure of the congressional investigation of having at that institution, there has been a feeling in official circles that heroic methods would be necessary in dealing with the next serious infraction of the rules. These five young men, and the six who were suspended, happened to get mixed up in that infraction, and the impression in Washington is general that they are waning their time in trying to get re-instated.

Secretary Gage resumed his duties this morning. He has long ago learned that the best remedy for sorrow and trouble of any kind is to keep the brain fully employed with hard work.

The reported alliance of John R. McLean and James Kilbourne for the purpose of preventing Tom L. Johnson getting control of the Ohio democratic state convention has furnished much gossip for the politicians who happen to be in Washington. It shows how impossible all the talk about democratic harmony in Ohio has been.

Everything is in readiness at the White House for the return of President and Mrs. McKinley, who will reach Washington this week, and will be warmly welcomed back. Everybody is in a state of thankfulness for Mrs. McKinley's improved condition.

Mr. D. W. Martin of California, who is now in Washington, said of that portion of President McKinley's stay in that state which came under his personal observation: "His tour up the state was a great personal triumph, and everywhere with the people went away charmed with his gracious conduct. At Pacific Grove where he met the veterans of the Grand Army, the president was introduced as their comrade. He talked to them after the fashion of a comrade, and he had not been speaking fifteen minutes before he had half the veterans in tears at the remembrance of the civil war."

In reply to a letter from Capt. Hunter, of the Third U. S. Cavalry now in the Philippines, saying that a number of his men whose terms were about to expire would re-enlist

if assured that they would return to the United States when their troop was ordered home, the following communication was sent from the Adjutant General's office with the approval of Secretary Root: "Re-enlistment does not place the soldiers in the category of long-service men. It is contemplated by the Secretary of War that when the new conditions brought about by the army reorganization bill adjust themselves to announce to the army that it is not the policy of the government to continue officers and men on foreign service for the mere reason that their superior physique has given them immunity from disease. This will mean that officers and men will follow the fortunes of the organization to which they may be assigned."

A report just received by the department of state from the United States consul general at St. Petersburg gives the figures in detail of the commerce between the United States and Russia for the calendar year 1900. We bought from Russia, mostly raw materials, \$1,790,280 worth of goods, and we sold Russia goods to the value of \$21,861,515, of which raw cotton was the principal article, its value being \$18,413,310.

The Sanctity of the Home.
Several things have occurred recently to give encouragement and satisfaction to all interested in maintaining the sanctity of the marriage relation and the inviolability of the home. The most important of these is the decision of the United States supreme court, declaring that both parties to a divorce suit must be bona fide residents of the state wherein a divorce is applied for, thus cutting off at one stroke the scandalous business of the so-called divorce mills of certain Western localities; and another is the refusal of several eminent men to speak at a club dinner in Brooklyn in association with a professor of divinity who has deserted his wife and children without cause. These refusals were given point and force by being accompanied in two cases with a just and withering rebuke of the man who had been guilty of such despicable, unchristian, and cowardly conduct. Still another proceeding involving the same issues is the renewal of the agitation against the spread of Mormonism. All this is well. Insistence upon the integrity and sacredness of the home and family cannot be too frequent or too emphatic in this day, when so many subtle influences are at work to undermine and destroy these corner-stones of our civilization. Concerning many tenets and principles of modern civilization in its present and highest estate there is room for an honest difference of opinion, but as to the wisdom and inherent rightness of monogamy and of the family relation as that institution exists in Christian lands today there can be no question among people of sane and enlightened minds, any more than there can be a question of the value of sunshine or any other beneficent force of nature. And the example of any individual or the teachings of any class of persons designed to degrade the family or weaken the marriage bond may be justly regarded with horror and disgust, and as things to be met with stern, implacable, and uncompromising opposition.—*Leitch's Weekly.*

Sunday School Convention.
The convention by reason of the stormy weather was not largely attended by people from a distance but those of Matamoras were loyal and gave the speakers a fine audience. The officers elected for the ensuing year are:
President—Rev. C. E. Scudder.
Vice President—Edward Labar.
Secretary—Mrs. S. A. Johnson.
Treasurer—Wm. Angle.
Those who attended from Milford were Mrs. Dunham Gregory, Mrs. Wm. Almer, Mrs. Fred Gumble, Misses Huldah Bull, Helen Olmstead, Lillie Buchanan, Grace Boyd, Mary Quick, Lillie Goulay, Ruth Dewitt and Rev. C. E. Scudder and Wm. Angle; from Union, Mrs. John Durling and Mrs. C. B. McCarty.

Didn't Marry for Money.
The Boston man, who lately married a stocky rich young woman, is happy now, for he got Dr. King's New Life Pills, which restored her to perfect health. Infallible for Jaundice, Biliousness, Malaria, Fever and Ague and all Liver and Stomach troubles. Gentle but effective. Only 25c at all drug stores.

Milford Hand Laundry.
The undersigned has opened a laundry on Centre Square Milford, Pa., in the store room formerly occupied by Geo. Dauman, and will do all kinds of work pertaining to the business with promptness and in a neat careful manner. A share of the public patronage is respectfully solicited.
JOHN L. GOURLAY.

PERSONALS

Miss Irene Cuddeback is visiting her mother in Milford township.
Miss Freddie Armstrong has been quite ill during the past week.
Madam Tissot has been spending part of the week in New York city.
P. M. Nills has recently purchased a handsome new carriage with rubber tires.

Rev. T. McBride Nichols of Germantown, Pa., visited his parents at the Manse this week.

Frank C. Patterson, bank examiner, paid a visit to Milford Tuesday in pursuance of his official duties.

S. G. Vanderbeck and wife of Hackensack, N. J., are visiting the family of Ebenezer Warner on Broad street.

John De C. Van Ethen of New York, with the C. M. & St. P. R. R., is spending a short vacation with his parents.

E. J. Cole was called to Dover, N. J., last week by the serious illness of his brother, Halsey, who died last Saturday morning.

John B. Cook and wife, who have for several years been summer visitors at Milford, are registered at the Dimmick House.

County Treasurer G. Frank Rowland, who was at the county seat part of the week, drove home to Lackawaxen Tuesday.

Mrs. Jane Emerson suffered an attack of heart failure Monday, and for a time her condition was critical, but she has since recovered.

Miss Cornelia Van Ethen, whose illness has been previously noted, does not improve in health and her age is not favorable to recovery.

Cheap Excursion Rates to San Francisco, Cal.

On account of the Epworth League International Convention to be held at San Francisco, Cal., July 18th to 21st, the Erie will sell a special round trip ticket from Port Jervis, N. Y., to San Francisco, Cal., from July 4th to 12th, with return limit to August 31st, at the low rate of \$67 for the round trip. This is an opportunity never before offered to the public, with the delightful trip across the continent, and the attractions offered by the State in which the meeting will be held, will help to make the attendance larger than at any previous meeting. The glorious climate of California and inducements offered by the exceedingly low rates, "just think of it only \$67 for the round trip," will induce many to make the trip who would not go otherwise. A trip to California, will repay you in more ways than can be imagined by a person who has never been there. For routes and best train connections please call or address the Erie ticket office, Port Jervis, N. Y., and remember the low rate only \$67 for the round trip. —6-14

In the Delaware Valley.

Under the above title the Philadelphia Press thus speaks of a well known and famous resort: "Dingman's Ferry, in the valley of the Delaware, high above the sea level, enjoys a long season. The High Falls Hotel, the principal hostelry, is open from April 15th to December 1st, catering in the Spring to the Isak Waltons, in the Summer to the lovers of the beautiful and during the Autumn to the Nimrods. Already many have found their way to this mountain retreat. The Columbia Photographic Club, of Philadelphia, made their fifth annual visit to Dingman's Ferry this Spring and secured many excellent negatives, lantern slides of which will be shown at the next conversational meeting of the club.

New Stage Line.

Beginning June 15 the Grand View House will run a daily stage to and from Port Jervis leaving Milford in the morning, and during July and August it will run two daily stages, one in the morning and the other in the afternoon meeting trains to and from New York. After Sept. 1st one stage will be run up to Sept. 15. A handsome new and commodious wagon has been bought especially for this public service.

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TEACHERS VICTIMIZED.

The "Economy" Practised at the Expense of Pupil and Teacher.

Not long ago the public school teachers of New York City were kept waiting many months for the pay that was justly due them from the city, and were reduced to the most painful and mortifying financial straits. The teachers of Oakland, Cal., are now going through a similar experience. When the school board last year submitted its estimate of the sum necessary for the public schools, the city council deliberately cut the estimate down to an inadequate amount. Two months before the end of the school year, the money was all gone; and now the school superintendent and a committee are appealing for voluntary contributions from the parents and the general public, in order that the schools may not be closed and the young men and women who were almost ready to enter the University and the Normal School be obliged to wait a year. The San Francisco Call says: "San Francisco and Oakland present a view of municipal administration that should teach and exhort. 'For years in each city an annual deficit has appeared at the end of each year. It is sometimes partly provided for by shutting off street lights, but usually it is made up, or partly made up, by compelling the school teachers to work a month or two without pay. We are not aware that it is ever proposed that any other city employees shall give their services to the public. The pay earned by the teachers is the least for service rendered in any department of city administration. It goes mostly to women, who have the slightest means of defence against imposition, and therefore are not formidable in the eyes of the practical politicians who run city governments. 'In San Francisco it has been the regular thing to meet deficits by making teachers work for nothing. There is a constantly accumulating debt to the teachers which will probably never be paid. The situation is disgraceful to both cities.' For the sake of both pupils and teachers, it is to be hoped that the sum needed will be raised. But the lesson ought not to pass unnoticed. The money wrongfully withheld 'goes mostly to women, who have the slightest means of defence against imposition, and therefore are not formidable in the eyes of practical politicians who run the governments.' Is the denial of the ballot a mere abstract grievance, involving no practical hardship? The Governor of Pennsylvania lately cut a million dollars out of the school appropriation, which was already inadequate. A year or two ago the city of Providence, R. I., was seized with a spasm of economy and did the same.

Such instances are common; the first place where the average city government tries to economize is on the schools. But where women have the ballot, the last thing on which they are willing that the city should economize is the education of the children. Mothers of all nationalities want their children educated. A year or two ago, in the little town of Holland, Mich., where the settlers are largely Dutch, an effort was made to close the high school through misplaced economy; but on election day one thousand Dutch mothers went to the polls, school ballot in hand, and the high school was kept open.

If half the voters of every city were mothers, would the "practical politicians" care to offend them? ALICE STONE BLACKWELL.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS

Teachers' examinations for 1901 will be held as follows:
District School House Date.
Shohola Shohola June 3
Lackawaxen Lackawaxen June 4
Dingman Union June 6
Milford High School June 7
Palmyra Red (Putpaek) June 11
Greene Kiptown June 12
Big Grove No. 1 (Westbrook) June 13
Delaware Cole's June 17
Lebanon Meadow Brook June 18
Westfall Matamoras June 20
Teachers desiring certificates should attend the public examinations.

All directors and others interested are cordially invited to be present at any of the examinations.
GEO. SAWYER,
Supt. Pike Co. Pa.

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BRIEF MENTION.

The Platt amendment was accepted by the Cuban constitutional convention Tuesday by a vote of 15 to 14.

Rev. McKenzie of Port Jervis will officiate at communion services to be held in the Presbyterian church next Sabbath morning.

Because of inclement weather Memorial services were held yesterday in the court house. There was music and addresses by Rev. C. E. Scudder and T. McBride Nichols.

Rev. C. E. Scudder delivered a very effective Memorial address last Sunday evening in the M. E. church to a large audience. Sixteen of the old veterans were in attendance.

The O. & W. railroad has bought the old canal bed between Summitville and Alligerville and it is reported this assures a line being built from Ellenville to Kingston.

It is said the United States fish commission has placed one hundred million shad fry in the Delaware river this season. Most of them were turned in at Lambertville, N. J.

The semi-annual convention of the Delaware Valley Union of U. S. Societies of Pike and Monroe will be held in the Presbyterian church at East Stroudsburg Thursday, June 13.

Attention is called to the new advertisement of the New York Furniture Company on page 3. Any one needing home furnishings would do well to call on them. The goods are right and the prices too.

Rev. Myers in his sermon last Sunday morning in the Presbyterian church said that the church spirit did not point to heaven more directly than did those members who were living correct religious lives.

Monroe county Democrats have appointed a committee to meet similar committees from the other counties in this congressional district to arrange for a system of rotation in the office of congressman.

Court convenes Monday, June 3d, but the session will have nothing of particular interest aside from the expected decision of Jnd. e Purdy in the Blooming Grove Park case which will likely be handed down then.

Henry C. Demming of Harrisburg, Commander Post No. 58, Department of Pennsylvania G. A. R., who has an honorable war record, is being urged for Department Commander at the next election to be held at Gettysburg in June next.

A recent act of assembly authorizes the county commissioners to appoint a proper person in each township to look after the burial of indigent soldiers and sailors, including those who served in the late Philippine war, and to expend \$45 for a suitable interment.

John G. Hilliard is having erected a large house, 30x60, with additions, on the west shore of Big Log Tavern pond. A road is now being built from the Dark Swamp road to the site. The location is a beautiful one overlooking the pond and surrounding country.

Peter H. Piper, county commissioner of Monroe, has obtained a state reputation by covering back in the treasury the sum of \$140. The salary is \$3.50 a day but he thinks his services worth only \$2.50 and has returned the county the excess which he says he has not earned.

Leon St. John will manage the Inn at High Point this season and is now getting the house and grounds ready to receive guests. The Inn has a great altitude and the view from its porches covers a wide extent and unfolds a magnificent panorama of mountains and valleys extending over three states.

The dwelling occupied by Lewis Briard at Matamoras was burned Thursday night, May 23. But little furniture was saved. The building was insured for \$600 with no insurance on contents. His family has been afflicted with sickness and this calamity adds greatly to their privations. They have the sympathy of the community.

It is claimed that the wet weather and late spring will materially shorten the strawberry season this year. Usually about Memorial day the season is at its height in New York and from seventy to eighty cars a day are sent from Delaware and Maryland to that city, but this year the conditions for growth of the berry have not been favorable and the supply will be less.

OBITUARY.

JOHN OST.

There are few in this section who were not familiar with the face of Mr. Ost, who died last Friday after a brief illness of paralysis at the home of his son in Montague township, New Jersey.

He was born in Germany about 74 years ago and came to this country in the early fifties. For a number of years he followed his trade, that of a miller, and subsequently pursued farming. He first located at Blooming Grove, was for a number of years a resident of Delaware, then moved to Matamoras, and resided here also for many years, latterly living with a son, where he died. He married in Germany Miss Christina Beck, who, with two daughters, Christina, wife of T. Gregor, of Newark, N. J.; Matilda, wife of John Galwiler, of Waterbury, Ct., and three sons, Ira, of New York, William, of Montague, N. J., and Abram, survives him. The funeral, conducted by Rev. Joseph Reichsteiner of the German Lutheran church of Port Jervis, was held Monday and interment in the Minisink cemetery at Montague, N. J.

HALSEY COLE.

Mr. Cole died at his home in Dover, New Jersey, early Saturday morning, May 25, after a brief illness, of pneumonia. He was born in Milford Feb. 29, 1884, and was a son of W. D. and the late Clarinda Quinn Cole. When he was about a year old his parent removed to Dover, which has since been his home. His health has always been excellent until he was stricken with the disease which terminated fatally in a week. He was an exemplary young man, a member of the Epworth League and greatly esteemed by his companions. He is survived by his father and brothers and sisters as follows: Anson, of Suffern, N. Y.; Floyd and Ella, at home; Ada, wife of Professor J. C. Watson, and Edward J., of Milford. The funeral services, under the auspices of the League, were conducted at his home Monday by Dr. Woodruff, of Bayonne, N. J., and the remains were brought here Tuesday and interred in Milford cemetery.

Cultivating Corn.

Shallow culture for corn in preference to deep culture has been proven beyond dispute to be superior. The experiment stations in the corn belt and farmers in the great corn growing states have tried shallow cultivation and say, almost with exception, the practice gives large yields. The first cultivation while the corn is small may be to a depth of four inches, but the subsequent workings should be only sufficient to kill weeds and maintain the dirt or soil mull. The dryer the season the oftener should corn be worked. Stirring the surface frequently will tend to keep the ground moist. The old rule was that cabbage should be hood every morning, but the farmer gave no reason therefor except that it made them grow better. The secret is that requiring much moisture for growth the frequent stirring of the soil kept it damp, and the same rule applies to corn cultivation.

Farmers' Institute.

The County Board of Farmers' Institute Managers, will meet at the County Commissioners' office on the second Tuesday of June, being the 11th, at 2 p. m., to arrange for the place where Institutes are to be held this season. All of our people who desire Institutes, ought to attend this meeting and present their claims. This Board is composed of local members of the State Board of Agriculture, and one representative from each County Agricultural Society, the Pomona Grange and County Alliance. If you find that you cannot attend this meeting, address a letter with your request to Chairman of Board of Institute Managers, care of County Commissioners.

A suitable hall for the meeting ought to be provided, free of charge, by the locality wishing the Institute.

Unclaimed Letters

List of unclaimed letters remaining in the post office at Milford for the week ending June 1, 1901:
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Persons claiming the above will please say "Advertised" and give date of this list.
CHARLES LATTIMORE, P. M.

THE RAMBLER'S PICKINGS.

If a wet May is a sure sign of a good hay crop, there will be hay enough this year.

George went to church for once, but acted like a bad boy and had to be put out.

Pierre Nills drives as fancy a rig as passes through our streets. The old gypsy camp below town is broken up and the dusky travelers now pass on to Carpenter's Point.

Paul Schanno of Stroudsburg was in town last week.

Dr. de Plasse of New York stopped at Hotel Fanchone over Sunday.

Col. Nye Post, G. A. R., is diminishing in numbers. At present there are but eighteen active members.

Abe Huff of Matamoras was the guest of Ben. Kyle last week. Abe was giving Ben some hox points.

Miss Myrta Dupue of Layton visited friends over here Friday and Saturday.

A chimney burning out gave our fire ladders a chance to test their wind last Friday afternoon.

County Superintendent George Sawyer was in town last week.

A number from here attended the Sunday school convention at Matamoras Tuesday. More would have gone if the weather had been pleasant and the road less muddy.

According to the statement just issued it cost Sussex county the past year: For almshouse, \$7,282.29; bridges, \$4,805.88; courts, \$9,597.06; jail, \$1,876.54; justices and constables, \$568.77; advertising and printing, \$569.05. The total amount necessary to pay the expenses of Sussex county is \$145,988, which is a trifle more than it took to run little Pike.

Channey Watson has indulged in a hox swap and now drives a gray.

Preservation of Eggs.

The results of experiments made recently in Germany on various modes of keeping eggs are published in the *Markthaus Zeitung* (Berlin). Fresh eggs were taken in June last, treated for preservation in various ways, and examined in February with the following results, which speak for themselves:

Method.	Percentage Spoiled.
Kept in salt water.....	100
Kept in paper.....	90
In a mixture of salicylic acid and glycerin.....	80
Rubbed with salt.....	70
Painted with salicylic acid and glycerin.....	70
Dipped 12 to 15 seconds in boiling water.....	50
Dipped in a solution of alum.....	50
Dipped in a solution of salicylic acid.....	50
Painted with silicate of potassium.....	40
Kept with collodion.....	40
Kept in wood ashes.....	40
Varnished with gum-lac.....	30
Treated with a mixture of boric acid and silicate of potassium.....	20
Treated with permanganate of potassium.....	20
Covered with vaselin.....	0
Kept in lime-water.....	0
Kept in a solution of silicate of potassium.....	0

Real Estate Transfers.

Mac Holbert and husband to Lewis N. Holbert, land on Westcough pond, Lackawaxen. Consideration \$1.

F. A. Dimmick to C. O. Armstrong, two lots Ann St., Milford Borough, Nos. 534 and 539. Consideration \$900.

Peter E. Bearon to John W. Kirkpatrick, quarry lease on lots Nos. 134, John Craig, and 133, Henry Hagenback, Shohola township.

George Gregory and wife to Chas. C. Manger, land in Westfall, James Mease, No. 24, 439 acres. Consideration \$600.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to Lackawaxen Township Water Power Company, articles of incorporation, granted May 21, 1901.

Ella C. Stephens and husband to James O. Buckingham, 15 acres, Palmyra. Consideration \$100.

James O. Buckingham and wife to Geo. H. Robinson, same land. Consideration \$112.50.

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