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WASHINGTON LETTER.

Washington, July 1st, 1887.

Mrs. Cleveland has returned from a brief sojourn in New York, where she has been modestly exhibiting one of the most admirable traits of her character, the fidelity with which she maintains the friendships she formed in girlhood and college life. "The first lady of the Land," seems more youthful and radiant than ever. I learn that the President and his wife contemplate a rather extensive western tour next fall, visiting besides St. Louis, Kansas City, Detroit and other places, which will probably be the first active movement in behalf of his boom for renomination.

When I write of Cleveland, it brings Mr. Blaine to my mind. From the statement of Senators Fry and Hale who are bosom friends of the Maine Statesman, I conclude that he too will be a canidate for the Presidency in 1888 for both say they belive he will be renominated. All of these gentlemen are at present in Europe, and I infer they have fine opportunities for continuing their confidential relations.

Mr. Cleveland and Mr. Bayard have pooled their small stock of brains and each endeavored to our-toady the other in expressing their admiration for Queen Victoria, England's royal figure-head. Contrast this contemptibly obsequious lack of true patriotic feeling with Mr. Blaine's declination to accept the invitation of Prime Minister Salisbury, to attend a reception at the Foreign Office, in honor of visiting royalties.

The recent examination, the first under the new Civil Service Rules, of clerks in the Quarter-Master-General's office, reveals the fact that it is simply a scheme to oust Republicans from office on finely scholastic questions that have no reference to clerical duties; for out of 39 clerks examined, but ten passed, in face of the fact, that all have satisfactory records as to efficiency. Many of the clerks made no attempt to answer these questions as only a professor or a schoolboy could do so successfully, and so the farce ended.

The Pension Office has overhauled the persons who have used an old infirm soldier to defraud the Government out of $13,000, in pension money and recovered most of the sum. Those who are verdant enough to commit such frauds always come to grief, as the United States have no mercy on swindlers.

So much has been written about battle-flags that I have made a visit to the War department and personally inspected these tattered, though treasured relics of rebellion, finding nearly 600 of them, named in a book with this title: "Record of Rebel flags captured by the Union troops since April 19th, 1861." In the same room are over 200 Federal flags taken by Confederate troops and recaptured with Richmond. The remainder are also Union banners, turned over to the War Department by the several State organizations. Some of the Confederate flags are made of women's dresses, all of them are worn by time into shreds.

The Washington Grand Army Posts as well as many others in various portions of the country, have endorsed the new Pension Bill, for the benefit of the helpless loved ones of the heroic boys in blue who fell in the rebellion and they hope to secure its passage, despite the veto of a hostile unpatriotic President, who, it appears, prides himself on antagonizing the interests of those who died that the Union might live.

Many Republicans believe that Gen. Sheridan or Gen. Fairchild should lead them in 1888 and thus make a square fight between those who love and honor the Union veterans and those who hate and dishonor them, as it would seem that Cleveland who did his fighting with a substitute does.

It is now generally believed that the President has concluded that there will be no necessity for an extra session of Congress. He has continually expressed himself as opposed to an extra session, and has concluded that a call of Congress is not at all necessary and has so expressed himself to several prominient men who have conversed with him upon the subject. The fears of the New York financiers that there was danger of a stringency in the money market, has alone caused the administration to consider the demands for an extra session, and these fears have been dispelled by the Comptroller of the Currency who states that the business of the country is in a good condition generally. A safe and satisfactory business is being done, and there is nothing to cause an apprehension of any financial disarrangement.

Since the issue of silver certificates commenced a few months since, silver coin has accumulated in the Treasury at such a rate as to by far exceed the storage capacity of the silver vaults, and there is at the present time upwards of $80,000,000, in coin, packed in kegs and boxes, and stored in the corridors in the basement of the building. A guard, armed with Winchester repeating rifles is maintained night and day in each of the hallways leading to the treasure. A large force of workmen are engaged in constructing a vault for the reception of this coin, bnt although the work is being pushed forward night and day, it will necessarily be several months before the vault will be completed and in the mean time the guard will be retained in the hallways.

Wayside Sketches.

Written for the Review by Arthur F. Fisher.

I.

Ever since the times of Herodotus with his tales of African wonder and of Marcokolo with his Tartar narratives it has been the custom of literary inclined travelers to make public their observations. In the ancient times, even up to the invention and application of the steam engine, the chief value of these descriptions consisted in the instruction they afforded to all; in these days however, where travel is so universal, any sketches written of lands serve simply to brighten up the picture of memory of such as have once gone over the scenes.

Having duly disposed of my packages and bundles, I proceeded to observe the surroundings; the traveling agent, that significicant, selfimportant, don't-care-for-any-body-except-my-self man; the venerable independent englishman with a mountain of peanuts and orange shells about his seat, just at present engaged in extracting the juice of a lemon; the maid of mystical age, asking a gentlemanly bachelor who sat across from her to favor her with a cup of water; the bridal pair enjoying that blissful heaven on earth—in a railroad car—all were seemingly unconscious of the fact that others but themselves were present all were wishing and hoping for, maybe calculating on future prospects and your reporter was writing—sketches.

Dr. Samuel Johnson once said "All green fields are alike, sir; let us take a walk down Fleet Street" This great lexicographer was seemingly no lover of nature or else a melancholy character of the type generally denominated as book worms; for who, going northward from New Ulm, would not find a great interest in the immense fields of wheat—soon to supply the wheat of the northwest—covering the hills with a verdant green interspersed with acres of forest some in their native grandeur and others partly trimmed out and suited to complement Byron's words: "There is a pleasure in the pathless woods." The call of Sleepy Eye however awoke us from our dream and meant for me to stop over. The inhabitants of this hopeful town are of an independent, decidedly american like cast of mind, confident beyond all believe, and to hear them talk you would think you had just arrived at the metropolis of Minnesota. It has about 1200 inhabitants and is a growing little place. Churches, schools, mills, banks, express office, business blocks of brick and a regular equipped fire department with water works, are its distinguishing features.

Springfield, a town of about 500 inhabitants, was next visited. It enjoys a prosperous season; everything seems booming and what isn't, is made to seem so. Improvements are continually going on and its prospects are bright.

From there to St. Peter will be our next trip taking us through some of the finest farming lands in Minnesota. We arrived duly at St. Peter, and with a grip in each hand started for the business part of the town. On the way (about one mile) we heard one man remark, that the R. R. company might just as well have built the depot halfway between this and the next station thus using it for both, places and saving building, and giving the public a little more exercise.

The county court house is a building that the citizens may be proud of. Among other sights may be mentioned the State Insane Hospital, Gustavus Adolphus College, High School building, the numerous business blocks and elegant churches.

Having duly rested ourselves here and taken in all there was to be seen we bought a ticket for Dover, Olmstead Co., Minn., and soon the iron steed was on its trip again with its load of humanity; flying over the beautiful prairies on which the wealth and prosperity of the northwest is founded. Dover is a pretty little town with about 300 inhabitants, mostly retired farmers. There are no great buildings, neither great enterprises, but for one who enjoys a peaceful, quiet, rustic location, this is the place. Around the village live well to do farmers, all old settlers who have for the last quarter century or more, tilled the soil and raised their stock. The farm residences are all substantial structures, mostly of brick and give the whole country a prosperous, wealthy appearance.

St. Charles about four miles from Dover, and in Winona Co. has about 1500 pop. and a business like air about it. A large carriage factory, wagon shop and plow factory employs quite a number of men and these with smaller concerns of different character give the whole a sort of factory-town-like look. There is also a high school building, which deserves special notice; also the library founded and upheld by the citizens.

City Council Proceedings.

Adjourned session of the City Council of the city of New Ulm, held June 27th A. D. 1887.

All members present, President Rudolph in the chair.

On motion the Council adjourned to Wednesday the 29th day of June, 1887, at 8 o'clock p. m.

JOHN C. RUDOLPH,
Attest: President of Council.
LOUIS SCHILLING, Clerk.

Adjourned session of the City Council of the City of New Ulm, held June 29, A. D. 1887.

All members present, President Rudolph in the chair.

A Communication of the City Attorney was presented and read, whereby he presented a note for the sum of $14.50 payable October 1st, 1887, issued by Jacob Riba, which sum the City some time ago had to pay to Dr. O. C. Strickler for medical attendance of Riba. On motion the note was accepted and the Clerk ordered to deposite the same with the city treasurer.

The appointment of C. A. Hagberg City Attorney pro tem made by Jos. A. Eckstein City Attorney, during his absence from the City, was accepted and placed on file.

On motion resolved that the City Surveyor is hereby ordered and directed to make, under the direction of Councilor Schmucker, a Plat and Survey to establish the grade of a street commencing between outlots No. 80 and 88 and thence running to a point opposite the extreme eastern point of outlot No. 19.

The Council then passed by a unanimous vote the following ordinances considered in previous meetings as follows: Ordinance No. 5, relating to animals. Ordinance No. 6, relating to tramps and vagrants.

The following applications for liquor license were heard and no objections being made or appearing, the Council resolved to grant the same namely:

H. A. Subilia, Joseph Schmucker, Fred Williams, John F. Neumann, Wenzel Schotzko, John Gabriel, Jacob Hottinger, Walker Hippert, Ferdinand Gollnast, F. W. Baarsch, Joseph Flor, Charles Brust, Weigand Hauenstein, New Ulm Turnverein, Joseph Schneider, George Vogel, Jacob Hoescheler and Franz Schubert, whose bonds were approved and the clerk was instructed to issue a license to them.

In the case of August Dietz and John Kretsch, license will be granted if sufficient bond is furnished.

The Council thereupon adjourned.

JOHN C. RUDOLPH,
Attest: President of Council.
LOUIS SCHILLING, Clerk.
Approved: C. WESCHCKE, Mayor.

The Bangor Rustler apologizes for several mistakes in a former number and says they were inexcusable, as all the editor has to do is:

To hunt news, and clean the rollers, and set the type, and sweep the floor, and pen short poems, and wash the forms, and run the press, and fold the papers, and write the wrappers, and make paste, and mail the papers, and talk to visitors, and distribute the type, and carry water, and read the proofs, and saw the wood, and correct mistakes in the last issue, and hunt for the shears to write editorials, and dodge the bills, and dun delinqents, and take cussings for the whole force, and tell our subscriber that we need money—we say, we've no business to make any mistakes while attending to these little matters and living on gopher tail soup flavored with imagination, and wearing old shoes, and no collar, and a patch on our pants, and are obliged to turn a smiling face to the man who tells us the paper isn't worth $2 anyhow, and that he could make a better one with his eyes shut.

NEW ULM MARKETS:—Wheat, No. 1, 63· No. 2, 61; oats, 25; corn, 38; barley, 40, new potatoes, 80c.; onions 1.50; butter, 8—10, eggs, 9; live hogs per lb 4½; pork, per lb 5½. Flour per wt. $2.25—$2.75.