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WASHINGTON LETTER.

Demagogic Influence of East
Wick Calamities—Superannuated
of Clerk—Want Pension—Labor
Commission Bill Revivified.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 11, 1904.—Naturally the excitement and calamities of the past week have had a more or less depressing influence in the financial world, and diverted attention from party politics. With the war news from the east, the burning of Baltimore, and the serious illness of prominent public men, stocks declined, and a more conservative tone became apparent in legislation. The president maintains an attitude of calm receptivity, ready at any moment to do what he can to aid the suffering and limit the area of hostilities in the Orient to as small a sphere as possible. He is not the promoter of much of the legislation now before congress, as the Service Pension bill for example, yet if it should come before him for his approval he would not veto it. The opposition to it is so strong in congress and out there a small chance its passing. It is gratifying to observe that numerous petitions are coming to congress praying for a parcel-post. The people can have it if they demand it, and its benefits to commerce are so great as to ensure the ultimate triumph of the scheme. The German vote of the county is making such a vigorous protest against the proposed new regulation of the liquor traffic, it may be surmised that the bill to that end will be allowed to slumber. The Panama debate continues with waning interest and effect, and as soon as senators quit talking against time a vote will be taken and the treaty ratified.

There are indications that the

Will street attempts to discredit the president as a "dangerous man" has collapsed; and in Ohio the illness of Senator Hanna has had the effect of creating a "truce" between the factions led by the two Ohio senators. The Republican political sky is clearing, and thus far most of the delegates chosen for Chicago have been instructed to vote for President Roosevelt. So, too, the Democratic situation is not as mixed as it was, with the Gorman, Olney, Grey, Parker, and Cleveland booms have grown smaller with the progress of events. Just now the Hearst-Bryan combination is a curious factor, and politicians are in a waiting mood to see what the result will be. A dark horse is likely to get the nomination at St. Louis, possibly it may be General Miller.

What to do with superannuated clerks in Washington causes much anxiety. It is proposed that they be pensioned off at sixty from a fund raised by those still in office. A majority do not like this idea. They prefer to spend all they can earn and all they can borrow (five per cent. a month) and then have the government support them when they become senescent. They imagine that because they have worked even hours a day for twenty or thirty years on larger salaries than any other workers on earth, and have spent it all, they have a supreme claim upon taxpayers for support. Congress is wondrous kind and generous with them.

The prevalent fermentation on the public school question is felt in Washington, seriously. Here, as elsewhere, the venerable policy prevails. It is urged that the high schools be constantly multiplied and enlarged at the expense of primary schools and that the "high-

branches" must be sedulously taught, whether there is any elementary training or not. Children are crammed with Greek, German, and trigonometry, even if they do not know how to spell or construct an ordinary English sentence. Not less than eight thousand children are running the streets and alleys of the capital of the United States, who "cannot get into any school-house, because the money has been used to prepare the sons and daughters of the rich for college! For the same reason there are seventy-five thousand truant in the streets of New York City, and two hundred thousand out of school in Michigan, and nearly as many in Illinois. What will it result in?

The Labor Commission bill which Congress is urged to pass provides for a permanent commission of six members to receive salaries of \$8,000 each per year, the same as the salary of our cabinet ministers, and a \$4,000 secretary and all expenses. Their business will be to arbitrate a quarrel concerning wages when both contestants ask for it and to enforce the arbitration if both are willing to obey it. This is very arduous and costly.

Official opinion concerning the Eastern War is somewhat mixed with a tendency to side with Japan. It is deeply felt, however, that Japan is merely a cat's paw of Great Britain, to pull John Bull's chestnuts out of the fire, and only pronounced Anglophobes warmly sympathize with the effort to dismember Russia. There was a good deal of sympathetic cheering at the news of the destruction of a Russian fleet, but the same demonstration would have been made if the boat had been on the other leg. Congress has invited a heap of trouble by giving a hundred thou-

sand dollars to the Daughters of the Revolutionary Legend at the St. Louis Fair. At least four other organizations of women are up in arms about it and they are calling the recipients of Congressional favors all sorts of tough names, alleging that nothing can arouse their wrath and misimise their grief but a division of the award. The National Woman's Rights Convention is in session here and—Susan Anthony and Carrie Catt—have put their heads together and are outlining a campaign, with the fourth rule in arithmetic as their motto—Divisions.

Bravities: A Connecticut lawyer in Washington says "Connecticut Democracy is as dead as Marley's ghost. Yet he comes from Bridgeport which has just re-elected a Democratic mayor by 2,100 majority. \$18,000,000 have already been voted to coming World's Fair. The chief justice has got over being mad about precedence and he and his wife have dined at the White House again. It is gratifying to learn that Senator Hanna's "heart action is good." Some people at the White House thought otherwise. The eight men who started and finished the Panama revolution have enthusiastically given themselves a banquet. Elihu Root now says that if he had his way he never would have taken the Philippine Islands. He denies that they are a valuable asset. Congress is receiving many petitions from the country in favor of a parcel-post. People are waking up.

A Household Necessity.
A good liniment is a household necessity. Elliott's Emulsified Oil Liniment, meets every requirement of the household and barn-yard in a most satisfactory manner. Full 12 pint bottles 25cts. T. S. Leitner.

The State House Scandal.

In 1900 an appropriation of \$175,000 was made by the legislature for the completion of the State Capitol building at Columbia, and a contract was made with Frank P. Milburn, architect, and McIlwain, Ulketer & Co., Contractors, to do the work. Senator J. Quitman Marshall, of Columbia, was the only member of the commission appointed by the legislature to look after the work, who made protest against the manner in which it was being done and insisted that it had not been done in accordance with specifications and was a fraud upon the state. It was overruled by the commission, of which Governor McSperry was chairman, and the job was accepted by the state and the job of the builders was marked "satisfied" by the governor, acting upon the advice of the attorney general.

So earnest and persistent were the objections of Mr. Marshall, however, that a special committee was appointed by the legislature at its last session to make a thorough investigation of the matter and this committee has performed its difficult task in a most workmanlike manner. The testimony obtained by it shows that the state has been im-

posed to in a shameful way; that the work on the State House was both work; that the contractors disposed of valuable property of the state to their own advantage, and that it is the duty of the state to prosecute the architect and contractors for the recovery of such damages as the state has sustained through their negligence.

It is a great scandal, and the State House Commission is not without blame. They were repeatedly warned that the work was not being done in accordance with specifications, and that the plans of the architect were altogether crude and out of keeping with the original designs of the building; but nothing that could be said would move them to caution, and the result is manifest in the Capitol building as it stands today.

The people will not be satisfied now with anything less than the most active prosecution of those who are responsible for this great outrage. Senator Marshall is justified by the report of the investigating committee, and by the same report the rest of the State House Commission is condemned.—Charleston News and Courier.

Better Than Gold.

"I was troubled for several years with chronic indigestion and nervous debility," writes F. J. Green, of Lancaster, N. H. "My remedy helped me until I began using Electric Bitters, which did me more good than all the medicines I ever used. They have also kept my wife in excellent health for years. She says Electric Bitters are just splendid for female troubles; that they are a grand tonic and invigorator for weak, run-down women. No other medicine can take its place in our family." Try them. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by Leitner's Drug Store and Johnson & Guy's, 1 & 18f.

Escaped an Awful Fate.

Mr. H. Higgins, of Melbourne, Fla., writes, "My doctor told me I had Consumption and nothing could be done for me. I was given up to die. The offer of a free trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, induced me to try it. Results were startling. I am now on the road to recovery and owe all to Dr. King's New Discovery. It surely saved my life. This great cure is guaranteed for all throat and lung diseases at Leitner's Drug Store and Johnson & Guy's. Price 50c & \$1.00. Trial Bottles free. 1 & 18f.

Simplify.

One need not be a Buddhist to realize the folly of many human wishes. It is too evident that the desires of today are artificial desires. They are created on the one hand by those who have things to sell and on the other hand by those who have so much money that they must try to spend it foolishly to know that they have it.

Someone's desire for profit or someone's desire for display is often at the bottom of the desire for this and that and the other desire which you feel for bric-a-brac and gew-gaws of dress.

Beautiful things are not necessarily expensive, they are usually simple in line and color. Look about your room and pick out all the unnecessary. But you do not want ten beautiful pictures in one room or ten beautiful vases.

Simplify your rooms! Then look at your clothes and notice the unnecessary trimming which adds only to the bill and to the labor of those who make them. The effective gowns on the stage, are always simple; they depend for their beauty, too, upon line and color.

Simplify your clothes!

But you do neither of these things in the right spirit if you do not simplify first of all—your dress.—Ex.

When You Have a Cold.

The first action when you have a cold should be to relieve the lungs. This is best accomplished by the free use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. This remedy liquefies the tough mucus and causes its expulsion from the air cells of the lungs, produces a free expectoration, and opens the secretions. A complete cure soon follows. Sold by J. J. Stringfellow.

MILL-END SALE

FEB'Y 16th to 26th.

The Mill and Factory Syndicate will conduct one of their famous Mill-End Sales for ten days at our place of business on the above dates. This sale will be under the entire control of their Representative,

MR. SHEPHERD WATSON



and will afford the people of Chester an opportunity to obtain bargains such as they have never had before. Do not fail to avail yourself of the opportunity. Space will not permit us to begin to enumerate all of the many bargains.

DRESS GOODS

A Line of All-Wool Dress Goods, Plaids and Mixtures, Regular Price 50c. **Syndicate price 20c.**
A Line of All-Wool Cheviots, 44 in wide, regular price 60c. **Syndicate price 38c.**
A line of All-Wool Cheviots, 50 in wide, regular price 75c. **Syndicate price 50c.**
A line of Black Dress Goods, Canvas, Solids, Grametes, and other wools, regular price 75c and 85c. **Syndicate price 50c.**
1 piece Black Broad Cloth, regular price 1.50. **Syndicate price 1.17.**

Laces and Embroideries

Big line of Val and Torchon Laces, regular price 1.00. **this sale 6c.**
Big line of Embroideries, regular price, ranging from 10c to 1.00. **Syndicate price from 6c to 49c.**

Big Line Ladies Muslin underwear at ONE-HALF PRICE

SILKS

1 piece 36 in Beau de Soie, regular price 1.50. **Syndicate price 98c.**
1 piece 36 in guaranteed taffeta, reg. price 1.25. **Syndicate price 80c.**
1 piece 27 in Beau de Soie, regular price 1.25. **Syndicate price 85c.**
1 piece 27 in Taffeta, regular price 85c. **Syndicate price 69c.**

WASH GOODS

Big Line P. K., regular price 15c. **this sale 10c.**
Big line P. K. Madras, regular price 20c. **this sale 18c.**
Big line Mercerized Waistings, regular price 25c. **this sale 17c.**

Domestics

Cannon Cloth, 12 yds for. 1.00

The Famous Sorosis Underskirts

Regular 1.25 Skirts at. 88c
Regular 1.75 Skirts at. 1.25
Regular 2.00 Skirts at. 1.00
Regular 3.00 Skirts at. 2.00

Ribbons

Big lot of all Silk Taffeta Ribbons, regular price 1.25 and 1.50. **Syndicate price .90c.**
Big line Satin Taffeta Ribbons, regular prices from 25c to 35c. **Syndicate price .17c.**

Table Linen

3 pieces 60 in Bleach Damask, regular price 40c. **this sale 29c.**
2 pieces 72 in one-half Bleach Damask, all linen, regular price 60c. **this sale .39c.**
2 pieces Bleaching, 68 in-regulation price 65c. **this sale .49c.**
3 pieces 72 in Bleach Damask, regular price 85c. **this sale 69c.**

Towels and Napkins

Big line all linen Napkins, regular prices 75c, 1.00, 1.50, and 2.00. **Syndicate prices .69, .79, .95c and 1.00.**
Big line of Towels, reg. prices 15c, 25c and 50c. **Syndicate prices .10c, 10c and 20c.**

TERMS OF THIS SALE. STRICTLY CASH. LINDSAY MERCANTILE CO.

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To risk your eyes to the care of an inexperienced hand...

Offers you expert services as an optician. The glasses he fits...

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We have all that is pure and wholesome. We don't deal in poor meats.

Beef, Veal, Mutton, Lamb, etc.

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Capital Stock \$30,000

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GROVER GRAHAM

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Lewis Turnout News

LEWIS TURNOUT, Feb. 10.—The farmers of this vicinity are going rapidly ahead with their preparations for planting a largely increased acreage of cotton during the coming crop year...

Letter from Oakridge

OAKRIDGE, Feb. 8.—The farmers are quite busy now clearing up their land and preparing for the planting season...

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Rheumatism and Catarrh

Send no money—simply write and try Balm...

MY POOR OLD BACK

Many Chester People Will Recognize the Meaning of That Phrase.

FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR

Physician—told you to come three times a week...

OSTEOPATHY

Dr. R. S. Collier, OSTEOPATH.

WHEN YOU CATCH COLD

Do not take chances on it wearing away or experiment with some unknown preparation...

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