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WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent

Secretary Carlisle will return to Washington this week. He will find the business of the treasury department moving along smoothly and satisfactorily. The first shipment of gold drawn from the treasury since the last sale of bonds, took place last week, and, although there is a disposition in republican quarters to make that little shipment of a quarter of a million dollars appear to be the beginning of a determined raid on the gold in the treasury, it is not regarded as either significant or important by treasury officials. One of them speaking about it said: "It was merely a shrewd dodge on the part of an obscure banking firm in New York to obtain some free advertising. They know that such a shipment at this time will be commented upon by all the large newspapers of the world, and they hope to make this advertisement of their firm pay in other ways. That is all there is in it."

The midsummer political dullness at Washington was stirred up a little by the announcement that the men who manage the Bimetallie League, otherwise known as the Silver party, had changed their minds about waiting until the old parties had nominated their presidential ticket and now intend that the silver ticket be first in the field. It has also been announced that the same gentlemen have concluded that Sibley who made a talking tour as the suggested candidate of the silver party, will not do, and they are looking around for a new candidate. It is no secret that this change has been brought about by the certainty felt by the League people that the democratic party will not split on the silver question, but will fight the presidential campaign united on the platform adopted by the National Democratic Convention to be held next year.

An employee of the office of the Comptroller of Currency, Mr. W. L. Sealy, who has just returned from an official trip to Tennessee, on business connected with several national banks which are in the hands of receivers, says of the business and political situation in that state: "I found a very satisfactory condition of business and a feeling of confidence among the people that an era of good times was at hand. In Middle and West Tennessee the free silver sentiment undoubtedly dominates. In the eastern part of the state the silver feeling is not so strong. The democrats will not split on that issue, however, but will make a straight fight inside party lines and the minority will bow to the expressed will of the majority."

Mr. J. S. Clarkson, of Iowa, the ex-republican boss is one of the few members of his party who isn't afraid to condemn the methods Mr. Theodore Roosevelt has adopted

since he became Police Commissioner of New York City to boom his candidacy for the United States Senate. He says: "Roosevelt is enforcing laws that eighty or ninety per cent of the population of New York City disapprove of, and I frequently hear New Yorkers say they regret that they voted the republican ticket last fall. We had an average republican majority of seventy thousand in Iowa until we got prohibition. Then the state became democratic by twenty thousand. Roosevelt is like a boy with his first pair of skates, and the republican party is sure to be held responsible for what he has done." While Mr. Clarkson doesn't use as vigorous language as Senator Hill did to convey his opinion of Roosevelt it is evident that they do not differ very much on that subject, although wide apart upon many others. Roosevelt's Senatorial aspirations are likely to prove a mighty good thing for the New York democrats.

Secretary Herbert is not alone in thinking that the six new gun boats provided for by the last Congress and for the construction of which he is now asking bids will prove to be about the most useful vessels in our Navy. They will all be small, compared to the cruisers and battle ships, and of light draught, and the cost of each is not to exceed \$230,000, exclusive of the armor. Three of these boats are to be provided with sails as well as steam power. They will be just the vessels needed in various foreign water in which we have to keep a vessel of some sort nearly all the time. They will carry small crews and will be cheaply maintained and they can perform the duty of looking out for American interests in lots of places just as effectively as one of the cruisers that costs ten times as much to keep up.

Secretary Lambert has returned from his long western trip. He speaks in the highest terms of the reception he met with, and is especially enthusiastic in his praise of the western people and their whole souled hospitality. He is glad he went and wants to go again.

Last June Dick Crawford brought his twelve-months old child, suffering from infantile diarrhoea, to me. It had been weaned at 4 months old and had always been sickly. I gave it the usual treatment in such cases but without benefit. The child kept growing thinner until it weighed but little more than when born, or perhaps ten pounds. I then started the father to giving Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. Before one bottle of the 25 cent size had been used a marked improvement was seen and its continued use cured the child. Its weakness and puffy constitution disappeared and its father and myself believe the child's life was saved by this remedy. J. T. Marlow, M. D., Lamar, Ill. For sale by all druggists.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

Pearls of Thought.

Ram's Horn.

No college ever made a saint.

Faith is never weakened by having to wait.

It is right to fast, but it is wrong to look lean.

If we love much we shall find a way to do much.

A sad countenance is a hypocrite's favorite mask.

When faith prays it never takes no for an answer.

Try to make somebody happy and see what comes of it.

Love your enemy to death and he will make a good friend.

Never act like a fool unless you are willing to be considered as one.

It is better to be a mustard seed than a mountain of dead rock.

An extravagant man loves to lecture his wife on the beauty of economy.

It is the man who loafs the most who is the least satisfied with his wages.

Don't insist upon talking about yourself to the man who wants to talk about himself.

We may hate an enemy without hating him, but we can't do it without hurting ourselves.

One says, "There are people who are encyclopedias of everything that should be forgotten."

The man who can work and not worry, rest and not rust, is not apt to be an object of interest to the undertaker.

Fishing for compliments may secure a few bites, but it is certain of many back bites. What is caught that way is not worth stringing.

There are men so stupid that when an idea tunnels their thick skulls it rattles about in their dusty craniums like seeds in a gourd or beans in a bladder. There are others so full of large thoughts that their heads swell upward like the domes of cathedrals.

W. H. Nelson, who is in the drug business at Kingville, Mo., has so much confidence in Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy that he warrants every bottle and offers to refund the money to any customer who is not satisfied after using it. Mr. Nelson takes no risk in doing this because the remedy is a certain cure for the diseases for which it is intended and he knows it. It is for sale by all druggists.

Wilkesboro Chronicle: J. W. Simpson and son, of Scotland, N. Y., on the knee week, and made a trip to Ashe and Watauga prospecting for a fine grass farm. They expect to locate in this section.

A horse kicked H. S. Shafer, of Freemyer House, Middleburg, N. Y., on the knee, which laid him up in bed and caused the knee joint to become stiff. A friend recommended him to use Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which he did, and in two days was able to be around. Mr. Shafer recommended it to others and says it is excellent for any kind of bruise or sprain. The same remedy is also famous for its cures of rheumatism. For sale by all druggists.

North Carolina Industries.

Morganton Herald.

Our exchanges say that a farm has "been established" to raise turtle for market in Union county. Charlotte has a breeches factory that is preparing to make bloomers. Sampson county sells this year this year ten thousand dollars worth of huckleberries. A mongoose ranch has been established in Buncomb. Shep Dugger of Banner Elk, writes novels. Albemarle and Pamlico sounds are being stocked with a slow winged breed of ducks that Presidents can shoot. Our eastern counties have shipped this year \$5,000,000 of early garden sass. We had been selling monozite for a year up in these diggings before the "scientist" knew there was any in America. Acetylene gas in quantities sufficient for illuminating purposes is a discovery of a North Carolina laboratory. We are growing everything from bananas to buckwheat. We have every breed of politicians from "plutocrats" to "populists," including the great flower of the political garden the double white and "yaller" flower called by botanists the *fuschiana-Marionbutleinis*.

Some eminent Raleigh democratic botanists are now experimenting with the pollen of this plant on the rose of democracy. We have prayed for diversified industries. We have got them. But the thing may be overdone.

Over The River.

A minister who had lost his child asked another minister to come and preach for him. He came and he told how he lived on one side of the river and felt very little interest in the people on the other side, until his daughter was married and went over there to live; and then every morning he went to the window and looked over that river, and felt very much concerned about that town and all the people there. "Now," said he, "I think that as this child has crossed a n o t h e r river, heaven will be dearer to him than ever it was before." Shall we not just let our hearts and affections be set on the other side of the river? It is but a step; it is but a veil; we shall soon be in the other world.—D. L. Moody.

Bishop William Boyd Carpenter, of Ripon, England, is the court preacher. A story is told of him that when he was asked how he managed to address so exalted a personage as the sovereign and yet maintain his composure, he replied that he never addressed her at all. He knew there would be present the queen, the princess, the household, the servants, down to the scullery maid. "And" said the bishop, "I preach to the scullery maid and the queen understands me."

The Standard learns that a young lady in Concord, who has a hobby for flowers, recently planted several hundred potato slips, thinking they were violet plants.

Internal Beauty.

Rev. W. W. Moore preached a sermon in Baltimore recently and had these nice words to say about Mrs. Cleveland:

The theme of the sermon was "Internal Beauty." After drawing a distinction between mere surface comeliness which was evanescent, and beauty of spirit, which was abiding, the speaker said:

"Perhaps this distinction can be made still clearer by taking the concrete case of a person who, in my judgment, combines both kinds of beauty. I suppose the most popular woman in the world today is the wife of the President of the United States. What is the secret of her fascination for all classes of people, regardless of their political opinions or social rank? Not her position as mistress of the White House, nor her official position as the first lady of the land, for these passed away once without diminishing a jot of her social popularity and power. Not the fact that she is pretty, though she unquestionably is. That is not her chief charm. She is not only pretty but beautiful. As she was leaving Washington at the close of her husband's first administration, ex-Secretary Bayard said to her:

"Good-bye. You brought nothing but sunshine with you and you are taking a great deal of it away."

"That remark gives us the clue to her influence. She is not only beautiful without; she is beautiful within. She charms all classes of people. Not because she is young and pretty and distinguished merely, but because she has the sweet dignity and grace of a pure and lovely Christian character."

McDowell County Ahead.

The mining of monozite, as we have heretofore stated in our columns, has assumed large proportions in North Carolina, with an increasing demand. It has been quite recently demonstrated that South McDowell supplies the best monozite in commercial quantities in the world, it analyzing in thoria from 10 to 18 per cent., and in cerium from 17 to 42 per cent.

We are also pleased to inform our readers that the newly discovered elements, argon and helium, are both found in this county—principally in euxenite and samarskite. Thus far argon has no commercial importance; but helium—of which the sun is principally composed—is about being used to make artificial light, the nearest approach to the sun light of any substance known.

In addition to the foregoing a scientist has found in ten square miles of McDowell county 136 different species of minerals, the largest ever found for the area covered. Hurrah for McDowell! She is ahead of them all in minerals and precious stones.—Marion Record

Messenger: Some of the English women are denouncing lynching in the South. If they would come into the South and have a big scare by some salacious brutes they would not be so sympathetic with crime, but would be for protecting the women and children.

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