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WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent

A number of prominent Democrats who recognize the danger which confronts the party in Kentucky and Maryland, because of the existence of factions in the party, are quietly but energetically working to bring those factions together in both States, and they are hopeful of success. Of course everybody knows that with the party united Kentucky and Maryland are as reliably democratic as they have been at any time during the last 25 years. But it is equally well known that if the factional fight now going on among the Democrats in both States is kept up until election day the Republicans will stand a good chance to carry them both. To have those States go Republican this year would be a party calamity that would jeopardize the election of a Democratic President next year, notwithstanding the bright prospects of the party. This calamity the gentlemen engaged in this movement wish to prevent. They are not working either for or against Senators Blackburn and Gorman, but for the benefit of the democratic party. They believe that the Gorman democrats, the anti-Gorman democrats, the Blackburn democrats and the anti-Blackburn democrats, are all alike solicitous for the success of the national democratic party, and upon that belief they based their hope of succeeding in putting an end to the factional strife in both States. It would be impolitic to say at this time what these gentlemen have done or what they propose doing, besides, it would be a violation of confidence.

Those who expected the administration to immediately declare war against France because of the imprisonment of the negro, ex-Consul Waller, who was found guilty by a French court martial of having given the natives of Madagascar treasonable information concerning the movements of French troops, and who a few days ago were going into daily conniptions because they alleged that the administration had declined to do anything for Waller, are now in a condition of mind. The administration has done in the case of Waller just what it ought to have done in the case of any other man claiming to be an American citizen who had got into trouble, notwithstanding the report that Waller had become a citizen of Madagascar before he was arrested by the French. It has neither assumed his guilt nor his innocence, has merely sought to get at the facts in his case, but has not considered it necessary to furnish the republican newspapers daily bulletins of the progress made. When the first demand was made on the French Government for the record of Waller's trial and conviction it was met by the reply that it had not been received. Later demands were

met with other excuses. All this has taken time. Diplomatic business is not conducted with the helter-skelter rush of a daily newspaper. But what is worrying these people who without knowing what was being done have wilfully misrepresented the administration is the knowledge that Ambassador Eustis has been instructed to make a peremptory demand for that record, accompanying it with the assertion that a refusal will be considered by this government an acknowledgment of the wrongful treatment of Waller. When that record is examined by Mr. Eustis he will have an opportunity to determine whether Waller has a right to expect anything from the United States Government or not.

Ex-Senator Ransom, now United States Minister to Mexico, is in Washington. He has been spending a few weeks in the mountains of North Carolina for the benefit of his health, but while feeling much better he does not yet feel well enough to announce a definite for his return to Mexico. Although he has said nothing to cause it there is a belief among his friends that he will not return to Mexico at all, as the climate does not agree with him. The prevalent opinion among his friends is that he will not resign, but will be transferred to some other post in the diplomatic service. He reports politics quiet in North Carolina, and the crops, with the exception of cotton, unusually good.

There was a rather heavy draft on the gold reserve last week, but there was nothing about it to cause any alarm. It was to meet a legitimate purpose, the settling of trade balances, that this gold was shipped to Europe, and not because of a wild scramble in the gold market such as was the gold raid on the Treasury last winter. Treasury officials will not be surprised if considerable more gold is drawn out for shipment to Europe during the month of August, but in September the tide will turn and as much or more gold will come from Europe to pay for our crops.

A local paper has interviewed a number of the more prominent members of the labor organizations, on Sovereign's proposed boycott of national bank notes. The President of the Federation of Labor said: "The scheme is a very wild and visionary one. I think if the working people act as they have been advised by Mr. Sovereign they will become the laughing stock of the whole country. I am strongly opposed to the course suggested by Mr. Sovereign. I think it better for us to leave all such matters alone." That is about the tenor of the talk of all of them. If Mr. Sovereign does not know that he made a great mistake he must be very slow to comprehend anything. Everybody else knows it.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

OBITUARY.

Laura A., daughter of Levi C. and Mary A. Miller, born Sept. 17 1869 and died June 20th 1895.

In early life she became a Christian and joined the M. E. Church south, at Union, and was, in the true sense of the term: an humble and devout Christian. She especially loved, and was punctual to attend, both the Church and Sunday School, and though young, she was an active worker in both. Her early piety, cheerful obedience, and sweet disposition was a great comfort to her parents and had a strong influence upon the entire family.

After the death of her father she seemed to take upon herself the responsibility that rested upon him as counselor with her mother in providing for the family, teaching the children, giving instructions both for their spiritual and temporal welfare. She shared with her mother all the burdens of home; in her troubles and bereavements, and after the death of her sister Belle, was a motherly aunt to the babe she left behind. She expressed a desire to live to train the child and the family as well as the mother, had learned to rely upon her as an advisor and companion.

But alas! about two years after the death of her father, consumption began to prey upon her system, and from the first she had but little hope of recovery. She talked freely of her strong faith in God and of the sweet comforts of religion, and was desirous to live to promote His glory or to die to promote His glory as pleased Him best.

Among many others who visited her during her illness were her pastor, Rev. N. C. Combs, and brother A. Roten, and these brethren believe that they received more Christian comfort and encouragement than they possibly could have given her.

About two weeks before her death, while at the home of her brother John she asked brother Roten to sing the song "I'm almost at home." While he was singing she became very happy and shouted with a strong voice, and for some time, the praises of God. At the very moment she began shouting her mother went to her and they embraced each other. They talked freely of the joys of the home circle before it was broken and of "the happy reunion that would be after while." She then called for her brother John and admonished him and plead with him to prepare to meet her in heaven. She next called for her brother Charlie and said: "Charlie, you are a good boy and it won't be long until we meet in heaven." He responded: "I will not be six months behind you." She also called her brother Frank and earnestly besought him to prepare to meet her in heaven, saying "I've often prayed for you." She then admonished her sister and younger brothers, telling them how to live, how to do and to

meet her in heaven. She spoke to her aged grand-father, saying: "God bless you, we will soon meet" in heaven." Then after talking cheerfully to others she requested that she be carried home.

But the most triumphant scene had not yet transpired. Her death room was the very ante-chamber of heaven. Just after noon, believing that death was near, she requested brother Roten to sing "I'm almost at home." By her request singing and reading the precious promises continued the main part of the evening. After which she grew very weak and asked her friends to pray that she might have strength to talk. The Lord gave her strength. Then she called for her uncle James Miller and said to him: "Your mother has prayed so often for you and I have prayed for you and hoped to be instrumental in your conversion," and begged him to meet her in heaven.

She spoke of her two converted brothers, expressing her desire for their salvation. She asked her friends to pray that she might have strong faith to the very last. Then brother Roten asked her: "Have you not strong faith in God?" She replied: "Yes, thank God, I have." He then said to her, "Is it not sweet to rest in the arms of Jesus?" She replied, "Yes, thank God; I would not exchange it for all the world, and I'll soon be with Jesus. Don't you think I will soon be with Jesus?" During all this commotion her countenance was beaming with a smile of inexpressible joy. About 9 o'clock, a. m. she quietly passed away.

In the death of sister Miller the church and Sunday School has lost a worthy and influential member, society a worthy example and the family a faithful and devoted sister and daughter. But their loss is her eternal gain. "For me to live is Christ but to die is gain." Dead? "She is not dead but sleepeth." She sleeps in Jesus. "And they also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him."

May the Lord comfort the bereaved mother, the sister, and the five brothers left behind, and may we all have such a triumphant passage to the home of the good.

A. J. BURRUS,
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Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

How to Get Along.

Do not stop to tell stories in business hours.

If you have a place of business be found there when wanted.

No man can get rich sitting round stores and saloons.

Never 'fool' in business matters.

Have order, system, regularity, liberality and promptness.

Do not meddle with business you know nothing of.

Never buy an article you do not need, simply because it is cheap and the seller will take it out in trade. Trade in money, then you will get things cheapest and know just what a thing costs you.

Avoid hard words.

Do not kick every stone in the path. More miles can be made in a day by going steadily on than stopping.

Pay as you go.

A man of honor respects his word as his bond.

Aid but never beg.

Help others when you can, but never give what you can not afford simply because it is fashionable.

Learn to say "No." Don't snap it out in dog fashion, but say it respectfully and firmly.

Have but few confidants, the fewer the better.

Learn to think and act for yourself. Use your own brain, but also learn to use the brainwork of others.

Be vigilant. Keep your eyes and ears wide open.

Keep ahead rather than be hind the times.

Young men, reflect on this, and if there be a flaw in the argument, let us know. Selected.

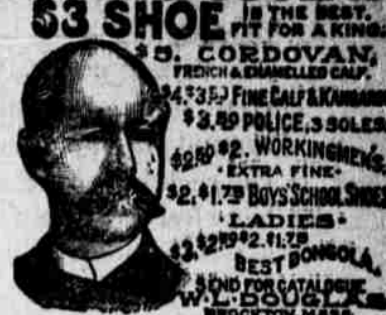
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