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## WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent.

The distinguished prophets of war who have been on the rampage in New England, Washington, and other parts of the country should bow their heads and lock their jaws for a while. Instead of the red-handed ultimatum, demanding that we should either abandon the Monroe doctrine or fight, which these self-made prophets have declared was in the course of preparation by England, the English Ambassador has, through Secretary Olney, approached President Cleveland with an olive branch in the shape of a proposition that the United States should form an alliance with England for the protection of English and American citizens and interests in Turkey. True this proposition has nothing directly to do with the maintenance of the Monroe doctrine in Venezuela, which has inspired all the war prophecies but even a school boy can see that England would not be asking an alliance with a country that she expected soon to be at war with. Whether President Cleveland sees fit to accept this alliance or not the fact that it has been asked for should be sufficient to cause Senator Chandler and Hon. Don M. Dickinson to stop setting up of nights to prevent Canada sneaking New Hampshire and Canada away from us. Notwithstanding President Cleveland's known aversion to "entangling foreign alliances" the impression among those who ought to know is that he will accept this invitation to act jointly with England in protecting English and American citizens in Turkey, owing to the threatening aspect of affairs in this country.

The Bath Iron Works, of Bath, Maine, the builders of the Ammen ram Katabidin, are in a hole, so to speak. The naval trial board has reported to Secretary Herbert that the vessel fell below the speed required on her trial trip. According to the contract, the vessel now stands rejected. The ground is taken by some naval officials that unless Congress comes to their release, the Bath Iron Works will have to sell the Katabidin wherever they can. But the matter is complicated by the fact that about \$700,000 worth of armor belonging to the United States is on the vessel. No official action has yet been taken by Secretary Herbert. It is the belief that he will gladly accept the vessel if any legal way of doing so can be found.

Attorney General Harmon is still getting letters from lawyers and business men in Indian Territory, endorsing Judge Kilgore and the manner in which he has conducted the business of the United States Court over which he presides in that territory. Judge Kilgore's answer to the charges made against him by Mr. Davis has been in the hands of Attorney General Harmon for nearly a week, and the impression is general

that the explanation will be satisfactory as far as the Department of Justice is concerned, but it is understood that Mr. Davis will use the same charges to try to prevent the confirmation of Judge Kilgore's nomination by the Senate.

Senator Harris, of Tennessee, president pro tem of the Senate, is confident that the republicans will control the Senate during the fifty-fourth Congress. Speaking of changes that must necessarily be made, he said: "I am in favor of the two parties appointing committees which shall meet and agree upon a just and equitable organization of the Senate with a view of conducting the business of the body properly. The vacancies on committees must be filled and the new Senators must be assigned to committee places. I would have the organization do full justice to the popular party, but I am not in favor of making a combination with the popular party for the control of the Senate, by which their demands are to be met. I do not think the republican Senators will be willing to make such a combination. In a Senate where no party has a majority it is right and sensible for the two dominant parties, in fact for the Senate itself, to agree upon an organization just and equitable to all, and that I am confident the Senate will do in a manner creditable to itself as a legislative body."

The attention of those who are suffering with the Cuban recognition colic is respectfully called to the following weighty words of Hon. John T. Morgan, chairman of the Senate committee on Foreign Relations: "Any recognition of belligerency on our part would result in causing our merchant vessels to be subjected to search, and that would give a great deal of anxiety and trouble, and there is no doubt that eventually such a course would result in a war between the U. S. and Spain. It may as well be understood that when we recognize the belligerency of the Cubans we would draw the sword." Senator Morgan thinks that if the U. S. wants Cuba it ought to go about getting it in an open and manly way, not by provoking war with a comparatively weak power like Spain, but by offering to purchase the island.

W. A. McGuire, a well known citizen of McKay, Ohio, is of the opinion that there is nothing as good for children troubled with colds or croup as Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. He has used it in his family for several years with the best results and always keeps a bottle in the house. After having a gripe he was himself troubled with a severe cough. He used other remedies without benefit and then concluded to try the children's medicine and to his delight it soon affected a permanent cure. 25 and 50 ct. bottles for sale by all druggists.

**Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.**

## Trumpet Blasts.

Ram's Horn.

Every child must learn to walk by using its own legs.

Oak trees cannot be grown under green-house glass.

The man who lives on the rock never has to lose any sleep in bad weather.

God is motherhood multiplied by infinity.

Prayers that come from the heart go to the heart of God.

Men could kill Christ, but they could not exhaust his patience.

To trust in man, makes us like a man. To trust in God, makes us like Christ.

The man who never praises his wife sometimes talks very nice in church.

The heart is larger than the world, because the whole world cannot fill it.

Too many people in the church had rather be comets than stars of Bethlehem.

The devil agrees with the moderate drinker who says he can drink or let it alone.

No matter what appearances may be, the way God chooses for us is always the best.

When the leeks and onions of Egypt are remembered God's mercies are forgotten.

Those who have no money, are not always poor, and those who have it are seldom rich.

Some men stop talking nice in church about the time their wives begin to clean house.

God's most precious gifts are often wrapped up in the commonest kind of brown paper.

It is better to wear a clean dress of homespun than a purple robe filled with small-pox.

When the bank breaks, some people who have claimed to be Christians have no religion left.

God never helps us when it would be a greater blessing for us to find a way to help ourselves.

God is as much against a giant as he is against anybody else, when the giant is in the wrong place.

In nothing else can success be so surely counted upon in the outset as setting out to find God.

The man who seeks gold is often disappointed, but the one who seeks God is sure of a rich reward.

By doing too much for our children we often render them incapable of doing anything for themselves.

Parents often destroy their children because they haven't wisdom to know what is best for them.

Nothing can make us abso-lutely fearless under all circumstances except knowing God is with us.

A cup of cold water given for the sake of Christ is a great deed only when it is all that we can give.

It is likely that more sin and suffering have been caused by the over-indulgence of parents than by the hatred of enemies.

David had so many heavenly melodies in his heart that he never had to call for his note book when he picked up

his harp.

To say that all things work together for good to them that love God, means that God can only give his children good gifts.

The way to be a true disciple is not to make a specialty of looking for feet to wash but to do in kindness and love whatever needs doing.

There is something wrong with a man's religion if his wife has to hear him talk in church to find out that he has taken a stand for Christ.

The Gospel of Contentment.

Stat's ill-Landmark.

We have heretofore adverted to the fact that Mr. Sam'l L. Patterson, State Commissioner of Agriculture, a practical and successful farmer, has recently given expression to the opinion that the people of North Carolina are in a more prosperous condition than they ever were before. The two State bank examiners, appointed to their positions by Treasurer Worth, and being either populists or republicans—or perhaps both—have recently completed their tours of the eastern and western parts of the State, and returning to Raleigh make reports of the condition of the people which exactly coincide with that of Commissioner Patterson. We have no doubt that the facts are as these gentlemen state them. All of our people are not rich; all are not well-to-do; some are in debt; there are poverty and distress among us; there always has been and always will be. But at no time since the war has there been more general freedom from debt and at no time have the people had more of the comforts of life about them. A recently published statement, supported by the figures, is to the effect that the value of the property of North Carolina has doubled since 1873. That is to say, our people have accumulated as much in the last 22 years as they and their forefathers had previously accumulated since North Carolina was originally settled.

Men would be happier if they would dwell more upon this side of the picture and less upon the other. Any of us could become utterly wretched if we should give ourselves up to envy of those who are better off than we; if we should sit down and brood upon our troubles. There is a piece of history—or it may be only a legend—from which we learn that a Roman Emperor once surrendered himself to his reflections upon the sorrows of life until he finally killed himself. It becomes us, however, as rational beings to do our best and to be thankful for whatever we have or whatever we achieve in life. It should not be difficult, under present circumstances, for the people of this good State, who are doing their duty to themselves, to enjoy a large measure of contentment. The earth has responded generously to their wooings; the agricultural products are fairly high; the things they have to buy are unprecedently low; they en-

joy comparative freedom from vexatious debt. They would be happy if pestiferous demagogues who want offices and editors who want their money, would stop dinning 16 to 1 in their ears. Their good sense and intelligence ought to enable them to see that their prejudices and all the latent discontent in them are being played upon for base purposes; that no good is to come of their chasing fireflies; that those who are stirring them up to strife mean nothing honest by them. It is time for them to open their eyes. If they will do so happiness will return to them with returning prosperity and then will be the time for the unprincipled politicians to be miserable.

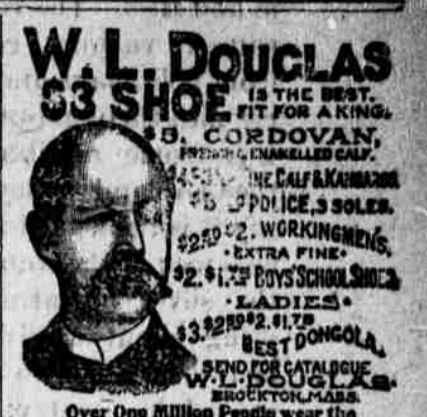
Henry Wilson, the postmaster at Welshton, Fla., says he cured a case of diarrhoea of long standing in six hours with one small bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. What a pleasant surprise that must have been to the sufferer. Such cures are not unusual with this remedy. In many instances only one or two doses are required to give permanent relief. It can always be depended upon. When reduced by water it is pleasant to take. For sale by all druggists.

Next Year Is Leapyear, Girls.

Next year is the last leap year of the century, and another will not occur until 1904. The year 1900 will not be a leap year. The unusual occurrence is due to the fact that the addition of one day to each fourth year more than makes up the presumed deficiency in the calendar year, and consequently the world is constantly losing time, as a watch is losing it, and therefore there was danger that in the course of a few thousand years the 4th of July would come on Christmas.—North Wilkesboro News.

St. Louis Globe: Two brothers kept a saloon in a Missouri town. One of them went to Chicago to lay in a stock of liquor. When he left home a revival was in progress in the town and he had hardly reached the end of his journey when he received this telegram: "Bill buy no liquor. Will join church tomorrow night. Business is taking us to hell.—Jim." That night Bill went to hear Col. R. G. Ingersoll lecture. As soon as he got back to his hotel he sent off a message as follows: "Jim: Hold off till I come. Have it from a prominent citizen of Illinois that hell is closed up.—Bill."

Croup is a terror to young mothers. To post them concerning the first symptoms, and treatment is the object of this item. The first indication of croup is hoarseness. In a child who is subject to croup it may be taken as a sure sign of the approach of an attack. Following this hoarseness is a peculiar rough cough. If Chamberlain's cough remedy is given as soon as the child becomes hoarse or even after the rough cough has appeared it will prevent the attack. It has never been known to fail. 25 and 50 c. bottles for all druggists.



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