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TIME IS LIFE

The father? Gone for the doctor. The mother? Alone with her suffering child. Will the doctor never come? When there is croup in the house you can't get the doctor quick enough. It's too dangerous to wait. Don't make such a mistake again; it may cost a life. Always keep on hand a dollar bottle of

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent

The entire administration, from the President down, is playing partisan politics for all it knows how, and the public business is getting on in any way it can. The White House has been turned to political headquarters with the President filling the duties of Lieutenant to Boss Hanna. Anything to keep the republicans in power is the basis of all the White House consultations and conferences. That even not single votes are being overlooked was shown by the official order sent out from Washington for the immediate dismissal of a woman clerk in the Indianapolis post office, who got married the other day, and the appointment of a voter in her place. Besides the political members of the administration are doing in Washington, the following prominent officials, and this is only a partial list, are on the stump for McKinley with their salaries being paid by the tax-payers while their official work is being neglected: Post Master General Smith, Secretary Gage, Secretary Wilson, Attorney General Griggs, Solicitor General Richards, Third Assistant Postmaster Gen. Madden, Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow, Assistant Secretary Meiklejohn, Commissioner of Pensions, Evans, and director of the Mint Roberts. In addition to these there is an army of smaller officials in the field speaking or pulling wires to influence voters, and the people are footing all the bills.

Republican speakers and writers are not likely to exploit the returns for the month of September from the postoffices of the fifty largest cities in the country, just received and tabulated, to prove the prosperity of the country, for the simple reason that fourteen out of the fifty shows smaller receipts than they had in September of last year, indicating that the pinnacle of the temporary prosperity, made by the war with Spain, big crops, and other conditions which put money into circulation, has been passed and that the business of the country is now on the downgrade, as democrats have predicted it would be as soon as the natural reaction set in.

Senator Wellington passed through Washington on his return from a speaking tour in the West and Northwest. In reply to questions as to the campaign outlook, he said: "In my judgment, Bryan will be elected. I think the Middle West will go for him, and that when the electoral college is polled, he will get the necessary number of votes. I have not the slightest doubt that Mr. Bryan will carry Maryland. The sentiment in the state, and I have sounded it thoroughly, is greatly in favor of the democratic candidate. There are hundreds and hundreds of old time republicans who will leave the party and vote the

democratic ticket. On the other hand, there will not be a handful of democrats who will fail to stand to their party's nominee. I think that Bryan's majority in my native state will be anywhere from 15,000 to 20,000."

More government clerks will go home to vote this year, than have done so since the days when Zach Chandler bossed the republican machine and made them do as he pleased. Clerks will register and vote who have not done so for twenty years or more. Every government clerk residing in a state that is considered anyways close, has received a circular letter from the republican bosses of his state, telling him that if he fails to register and vote, his name will be handed to the republican state committee, which is merely another way of telling him that if he fails to vote he will lose his job. The heads of the government departments are doing their part to help along the exodus of voters, at the expense of the tax payers of the country, by allowing it to be known that the clerks will be paid for the time lost in going to register and vote and will not have the time deducted from their annual leaves.

The starting of a Boss Hanna upon a stumping tour of the Northwest shows who is bossing the republican campaign, as it is well known that Mr. McKinley did all he could to stop the speech-making of Hanna, because of his knowledge that it was hurting him badly.

Late advices from Illinois put that State in the sure democratic column. A poll of the State completed by the democrats several days ago, gives Bryan a majority of from 20,000 to 30,000 outside the city of Chicago, which has been practically conceded to the democrats by the republicans from the beginning of the campaign.

When it was telegraphed to Washington a few days ago, that Teddy had, in a speech at Milwaukee made the positive promise that the war tax on beer would be repealed by the republican Congress at the coming session, it was thought that he had been talking merely to make votes among the brewing interests of that locality, but it is now almost certainly known that he spoke of the card, and that Boss Hanna has made a dicker with big brewers, whereby in return for big campaign contributions and their influence, he promised that the beer tax would be repealed at the next session of Congress. Teddy's only break was in publicly stating what Hanna would probably have preferred being kept quiet until after election.

We are all paying war taxes to support the colonial policy of President McKinley. Not a dollar of war taxes was paid by any body to support the Democratic policy of expansion inaugurated by President Jefferson.

Which policy will the American people endorse at the polls in November?

Rev. G. W. Trivett signs.
Editor Democrat:

Very much do I regret having to make another statement for publication in reference to the association, in answer to an article published in your issue of the 11th inst.

In the article I had published I said that two members of the church had invited me home with them—the other two were given in such a way that I did not consider them invitations. As to the assertion that A. C. Calaway and E. M. Gragg invited me home with them, I desire to state in the most positive manner that they did not. Bro. Gragg is also mistaken in saying that he asked me to turn my horse in the pasture and have dinner. This statement is entirely erroneous, as you will see by the certificate of Rev. Jas. W. Trivett, who was with me at the time:

As to what was published in reference to what Sheriff Calaway said, I will state that he admitted to me that he would never bear any man preach who voted for the Amendment, and never would unless his mind changed. The Sheriff also admitted to me that Jerry Porch said that I ought to be assigned to Wyatt Johnson's during the Association, but said jokingly, and not at the time a place stated. Now, Mr. Editor, the Sheriff says he don't remember saying that he had no meat and bread for any man who voted for the amendment. This is a matter that rests entirely between him and Mr. John Fox, who stated that he did say so, and he, (Fox) said it in the presence of Rev. J. W. Trivett, C. E. Harman and David Layell.

Now, what I have said is the truth about this whole matter, and the only thing I regret is not having let the matter pass unnoticed, but I did not do so, and it only remains for me to defend my character for truth when assailed by any one, and I am willing to go to the judgment with what I have said in this matter.

G. W. TRIVETT.
Sworn to and subscribed before me this Oct. 15, 1900.
JOHN H. BINGHAM, C. S. C.

This is to certify that I was with Bro. G. W. Trivett when we passed Bro. E. M. Gragg's on our way to the Association. He did not ask us in, to have dinner or have our horses put up. I was also present and heard John Fox say that he heard Sheriff Calaway say that he would not hear any man preach who voted for the Amendment, and that he had no meat and bread for them.

J. W. TRIVETT.

A Great deal having been said relative to the treatment accorded to the Rev. G. W. Trivett at the Association recently held at Watauga church, in behalf of Brother Trivett I desire to make the following statement: I was correspondent from Three Fork Association to the Stony Fork Association. I got there on Friday morning and no correspondents were called for from other churches, and I was not invited to a

sent as such. Bro. E. M. Gragg having been pastor of our church at Brushy Fork for a year or more, I, of course, expected to be cordially treated by him, but he only shook hands with me once, and while I was there two days I was only invited to the home of one man and I did not know his name at that time, and neither do I know it now. As I left for home Joel Eggers invited me home with him.

On Friday, when the Association adjourned for dinner, I placed myself near the stand expecting dinner, and the people who had brought dinner spread it near the stand and said: "You delegates help yourselves," but no one ever asked me to have any dinner neither did I get any that day. On Friday night I staid at Harrison Aldridge's. I went not because I was invited, but in company with some delegates from Doe Ridge church, who invited me to go with them. Next morning Mr. Gragg, son-in-law of Harrison Aldridge said, "I buy my meat and bread and I have none for democrats or any one else who voted for the amendment, and they shall have none if I know it." During the night they sang songs reflecting on the democratic party in general, and particularly upon the democratic candidate for President.

Mr. Aldridge, brother of Harrison Aldridge, said he doubted if there were any honest democrats, and he told me that he was a member of the Baptist church and the common understanding seemed to be that there was nothing to eat for any democrat or any one who voted for the Amendment. This I gathered from the talk of the people generally. This isn't done for the purpose of wounding the feelings of any one, but in the interest of truth.

G. W. GREEN.
Sworn to before me this Oct. 15, 1900.
JOHN H. BINGHAM, C. S. C.

During the winter of 1897 Mr. James Reed, one of the leading citizens and merchants, of Clay, Clay Co., W. Va., struck his leg against a cake of ice in such a manner as to bruise it severely. It became very much swollen and pained him so badly that he could not walk without the aid of crutches. He was treated by physicians, also used several kinds of ointment and two and a half gallons of whiskey in bathing it, but nothing gave any relief until he began using Chamberlain's pain balm. This brought almost a complete cure in a week's time and he believes had he not used this remedy his leg would have had to be amputated. Pain Balm is unequalled for sprains, bruises and rheumatism. For sale by dealers.

In order to understand why Attorney-General Griggs—who was selected from the trust lawyers of New Jersey—does not enforce the anti-trust law, look at the following record. It shows that since January 1, 1898—two years after McKinley's election—the trusts organized in that State alone have a total capitalized value of \$3,131,100,000.

Let Every American Citizen Think.

The time has come for every American citizen to make up his mind soberly on this greatest question presented for settlement since the War for Independence. It is a real, present, pressing issue. Colonias have been established under the American flag by the Republican party, without the consent of the people, in plain defiance of the Declaration of Independence and in violation of American tradition and sentiment. President McKinley and his advisers have asserted the right to exercise powers superior to and outside of the Constitution of the United States.

It must be remembered that this is an entirely new issue in American politics. It has never been voted upon by the people. It involves a revolutionary programme. It abandons the fundamental principle upon which the Government of the United States rests. It proposes the extension of the vicious European colonial system into our domain instead of the expansion of the well-tried and irreproachable American system into lands hitherto strangers to it.

It is not expansion; it is imperialism. It proposes to keep millions of subjects under our flag by armed force. It denies American citizenship to them.

This is the reckless policy of imperial adventure inaugurated by President McKinley, upon which the Republican party now invites the deliberate judgment of the American people.

The Republican party in its national convention has solemnly indorsed the colonial system established in Porto Rico and the Philippines.

The Democratic party has denounced the imperialism of the McKinley administration as a betrayal of American principles, and pledges itself not to add new territory to the United States except for the constitutional and just purpose of creating Territories and States.

Banker Rout a Robber.
J. R. Garrison, Cashier of the Bank of Thornville, Ohio, had been robbed of health by a serious lung trouble until he tried Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption. Then he wrote: "It is the best medicine I ever used for a severe cold or a bad case of lung trouble. I always keep a bottle on hand." Don't suffer with coughs, colds, or any throat, chest or lung trouble when you can be cured so easily. Only 50c. and \$1. Trial bottles free at Blackburn's.

A great reform to which the Democratic party has pledged itself this year is 'an amendment to the Federal Constitution providing for the election of United States Senators by direct vote of the people.'

"I wish to express my thanks to the manufacturers of Chamberlain's colic, cholera and diarrhoea remedy, for having put on the market such a wonderful medicine," says W. W. Massingill, of Beaumont, Tex. There are many thousands of mothers whose children have been saved from attacks of dysentery and cholera infantum who must also feel thankful. It is for sale by dealers.