

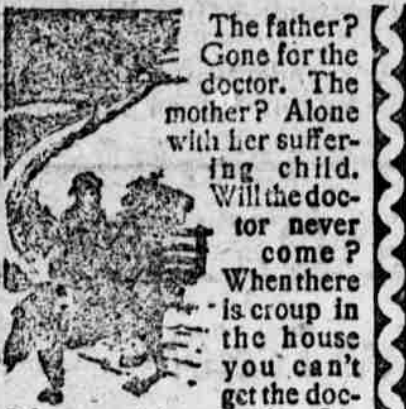
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WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent

Indications of another somersault on the part of the administration are in sight. This time it is the question of an extra session of Congress. Up to the adjournment for the holiday recess, "avoid an extra session if possible" was the watchword of the administration, and Senator Hanna used the danger of an extra session as a threat to score republicans into line, who were taking opposition to the Ship-Subsidy bill. Now, it is being whispered in administration circles that the republicans would welcome an extra session and be very glad if the opposition would make it appear to be forced upon them against their will. Some say this is being done to prevent Senators Pettigrew Allen and Butler carrying out their threat to oppose every bill taken up in the Senate as long as the Ship-Subsidy bill retains the right of way. There may, of course, be something in that; but there are several other reasons why the administration would welcome an extra session, especially if it can escape there responsibility for seeming to have had any hand in bringing it about. First, there is the Ship Subsidy bill. It may be possible to force it through at this session, but it looks very doubtful now. In the next Congress, the republican majority will be increased in both House and Senate, not to mention the retirement of several of this bill's most vigorous opponents from the Senate, and most of the new members will be ready to fall over themselves to do the bidding of the administration, which will make its passage much easier. Next, there is a revenue reduction bill. The outside limit named by Mr. McKinley was \$30,000,000. It carries a reduction of more than \$40,000,000, and it is no secret that the administration would rather see the bill hung up in some way than passed in its present shape, although Mr. McKinley will sign it, of course, if it passes. Nobody need be surprised to see some parliamentary skill displayed by the administration Senators when the bill gets before the Senate, to bamboozle the public. Perhaps the republicans will add amendments solely to provoke a fight on the bill by democratic Senators. Lastly, there is the decision of the Supreme Court in those colonial cases. If it be an adverse one, Mr. McKinley will be glad to have some other excuse for calling Congress together to remedy his blunders.

Senator Hawley has given advance notice of his intention to antagonize the Ship Subsidy bill with the substitute for the House Army Reorganization bill, if there is any delay on the part of the Senate in disposing of the latter. That is another turn of the legislative vise that is squeezing Hanna, and in this

case Mr. McKinley will not be on his side, as he is even more anxious for the army bill to get through than he is for the Ship Subsidy bill. One is to pay campaign debts, the other to keep him and his administration out of a deep and dangerous hole. He would like to have both, but if he can only get one he will take the Army bill without a moment's hesitation.

After press cablegrams from Copenhagen made it useless to further deny, officials acknowledge that the United States is negotiating for the purchase of the Danish West India Islands and that our Minister to Denmark had made a final offer of something like \$3,500,000 for the islands. This offer is of course subject to the ratification of the treaty providing for the purchase by the Senate, as well as the acceptance of Denmark. Why, there has been so much official lying about this negotiation, which has been going on more or less actively for two years, is one of those things which it would be difficult to find a sensible answer for.

Although there isn't the slightest probability of any formal inquiry or court martial being ordered by the War Department—too much explosive matter lying around loose—the charges made against Col. H. O. S. Heistand Adjutant Gen. on the staff of Gen. Chaffee by Maj. E. L. Hawkes, have been forwarded to China, where the accused is, for an answer. The charges are that Col. Heistand was guilty of conduct unbecoming an officer and gentleman when he represented to Maj. Hawkes, thereby inducing him to invest money which was subsequently lost, that a combination had been formed by United States officials who were in positions to fix the tariff, to control the hemp output of the Philippines. The officials named as having entered this combination were Adjutant General Corbin, Assistant Secretary Meiklejohn, Gov. Allen, of Porto Rico, and United States District Judge Boyd. The charge recites that after Hawkes had invested his money, he was told by Heistand that the officials named had withdrawn from the combination to control the hemp output.

A club with the imposing name of the National Republican League has been organized in Washington, of which about two-thirds are officeholders and the majority of the other third would like to be. The written objects of the League are about the same as those of other political clubs, but one of the speeches made at the organization meeting, gave another object of the League to be to have influence in determining what persons shall hold office under the republican administration, and to get rid of those democrats who are now holding office in order that republicans may get the places. All of the members of this office trust, which is the name the League should be known by, are shining lights in the party which pretends to favor civil service reform. What hypocrites these republicans be.

Delegate Wilcox's Big Mileage.

Washington Dispatch. Delegate Wilcox of Hawaii, has received the largest payment on account of mileage that has ever been made to any Senator, Representative or delegate.

Mileage is allowed for attendance upon each session of Congress at the rate of 20 cents for each mile by the shortest usually traveled route between the home of the Senator, Representative or delegate and Washington. It is paid for the trip in both directions. The distance from Honolulu to Washington is estimated at 5,000 miles and Mr. Wilcox has drawn \$1,000 for his trip to Washington. He will receive as much more when he goes home. If he pays all his traveling expenses the trip from Honolulu to Washington did probably cost the Hawaiian Delegate about \$200. But he may travel on passes if he has learned the methods of many of his congressional associates, and, in that event, his mileage is all clear profit. Whether he rides on passes or pays his fare he is able to add a considerable net sum to his annual salary of \$5,000 per year and he is an object of envy among his associates.

Millions Spent in the Philippines.

Washington Dispatch. More than \$5,000,000 Mexicans were expended by the Taft commission during September and October in the Philippines and making public improvements.

Copies of the orders authorizing these expenditures have been received by Secretary Root and have given the authorities much food for thought. The first appropriation made by the commission was for \$1,000,000 in American money, or \$2,000,000 Mexican, for the construction and repair of highways and bridges in the Islands. There are items of \$218,396.25 American and \$729,184.48 Mexican for expenses incurred for the benefit of the insular government during the month of October; \$27,474 for the construction of a suitable vault for the treasury; \$24,850 Mexican for the purchase of a site for a new market in Manila, and \$7,000 Mexican to be paid annually to a station. An examination shows that while the receipts are increasing, they are not large, and that unless the commission is careful there will be a deficit.

A Prominent Chicago Woman Speaks.

Prof. Roxie Tyler, of Chicago, Vice President Illinois Woman's Alliance, in speaking of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy says: "I suffered with a severe cold this winter which threatened to run into pneumonia. I tried different remedies but I seemed to grow worse and the medicine upset my stomach. A friend advised me to try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and I found it was easy to take and it relieved me at once. I am now entirely recovered, saved a doctor's bill time and suffering, and will never be without this medicine again." For sale by Blackburn.

Could Get No Help to Bury Her Child.

A Morvan (Anson Co.) Correspondence Wadesboro Messenger says: We have been informed of one of the most inhuman things that ever occurred in a civilized country. A negro child got badly burned, by its clothes catching fire, over near Paris, several days ago. For lack of attention the child, after lingering several days, died. The mother of the child is a very low and degraded woman and for this reason the negroes round about would not have anything to do with the woman or her offspring. The mother sold the only pig she had to buy a coffin for the child and, as the people would not render any assistance towards burying it, the mother carried the body over to a near-by graveyard last Saturday afternoon and laid it down among the graves and went off and left it there. We are told that the corpse and coffin are still lying there as she left them, awaiting the dawn of the resurrection morn. Has it come to pass that the dead shall bury its dead in the land of the living?

North Carolina Cotton.

It is stated that North Carolina claims, or is about to claim, that it is manufacturing all of the cotton that it produces, and will soon manufacture more than its home production. Charlotte is the center of manufactures, and with its neighboring towns is said to have over a half million spindles in operation. A number of new factories have recently been erected, and the cotton manufacturing industry in North Carolina is thought to be in a very satisfactory and progressive condition.—New York Commercial.

Brought Good Fortune.

A small item in his own paper lately brought amazing good fortune to Editor Chris. Reiter, of the Saginaw, Mich., Post and Zeitung. He and his family had the grip in its worst form. Their doctor did them no good. Then he read that Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds was a guaranteed cure for grip and all throat and lung troubles, tried it and says: "Three bottles cured the whole family. No other medicine on earth can equal it." Only 50c. and \$1 at Blackburn's. Trial bottles free.

The Kinston Free Press is right when it says that the matter that should be considered of greatest importance by the next legislature is to provide more taxes for the public schools in order that a full four months term can be had so the boys can be taught to qualify as electors before 1908. This must be provided for no matter what else is left undone.

Beat Out of an Increase of Pension.

A Mexican war veteran and prominent editor writes: "Seeing the advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, I am reminded that as a soldier in Mexico in '47 and '48, I contracted Mexican diarrhoea and this remedy has kept me from getting an increase in my pension, for on every renewal a dose of it restores me." It is unequalled as a quick cure for diarrhoea and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by Blackburn.

The Presidential Election Returns.

Working Democracy. The total vote cast for President in 1896 was 13,923,378, out of an estimated total electorate of 14,250,000. The total vote cast for President in 1900 was 13,883,943, out of an estimated electorate of 15,500,000. The vote last year was, therefore, 39,435 less than it was four years ago, although the electorate had increased at least 1,250,000. While the vote four years ago was within a quarter of a million of the total electorate, the "stay at home" vote this year reached 1,250,000. One voter in every dozen the country through refrained from expressing any opinion upon the Presidency. Except the Presidential election of 1864, when the Southern States were not represented, this is the first Presidential election at which the popular vote has not been much greater, greater in proportion, than at the preceding election. Mr. McKinley's popular vote in 1896 was 7,102,262. His popular vote in 1900 was 7,238,130, a gain of 135,858. Mr. Bryan's popular vote in 1896 was 6,502,925. His popular vote in 1900 was 6,370,530, a loss of 142,395.

Reflections of a Bachelor.

You might as well take things as they come, for if you don't they will take you as they go. A woman's way of treating the Chinese situation is about like her way of catching a chicken. Every woman has one cushion that is too good to use, but is meant to hide a spot on the sofa. When the average man proposes the girl has to fight between being happy and being mad because he didn't do it sooner. The women have an idea that when one of them refuses a man he goes out and gets drunk to drown his sorrow. Nine times out of ten he is only celebrating.—New York Press.

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For Other Reasons.

"You ain't acquainted around here much, are you?" asked the mountaineer of the man on horseback. "No." "I reckoned not. I don't believe I'd go down the trail that runs past Abe Gore's shack, if I was you. Abe had his hoss stole last week." "But this isn't his horse." "You don't seem to understand. I ain't accusin' you of stealin' his hoss. I'm simply intimatin' to you that at the present time Abe happens to be in need of a hoss party bad. I wouldn't go down that road if I was you."—Indianapolis Sun.

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