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## WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent

Credit will be due to the democrats in Congress for whatever reduction of war taxes the country gets. The republicans fully intended to kill the bill in conference, but when they found out that all of the democrats in the House and enough republicans to make a majority were determined to head off the scheme, the leaders ordered that a compromise be patched up in conference between the House and Senate bills. That compromise will not, of course, in any sense, be a democratic measure, but it will make some reduction in war taxes that should not have been made, if the democrats had been less aggressive.

Senator Morgan, in the minority report of the Committee on Foreign Relations on the resolution declaring that the ratification of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty is not a condition precedent to the construction of the Nicaragua Canal, and that the United States should proceed with the work regardless of the Clayton-Bulwer agreement which was adversely reported by a party vote, makes the positive charge that Mr. McKinley caused the resolution to be adversely reported. Concerning the influence of Mr. McKinley with the republican members of the committees and his right to say what is expected for them to do, Senator Morgan said: "This claim was made in the committee, and his (McKinley's) views as to the expediency of action were stated as grounds of objection to the resolutions. From this view of the duty of the Senate, I wholly dissent." Many republican Senators who have claimed to be for the Nicaragua Canal are now under suspicion. The claim that action on any legislation, relating to the Nicaragua Canal while the Hay-Pauncefote treaty is pending would be discourteous to England, is a very plausible bluff, but still a bluff. It has been successfully used to prevent action at this session of Congress. The Panama Canal lobby is trying to do the rest. Its latest and most important recruit is a member of the Cabinet of Colombia, who is now in Washington, seeking to transfer Colombia's interest in the Panama Canal to the United States government. It is not surprising that ugly stories should be in circulation concerning the canal business. Senator Morgan stirred up the republicans by openly charging them with having intended from the first to kill the Nicaragua Canal bill, saying of them and their tactics: "These men are willing to be kicked and cuffed about by King Edward VII, and are kneeling to his every whim. They do not believe the United States has any rights unless Great Britain says so. I know that the Canal bill was used to influence the election of Mr. McKinley, the republicans knowing all the time that

their instructions were to defeat it in the Senate."

All the extravagance of the republican Congress is not connected with the big appropriations, although they make the most fuss and are naturally heard the most of. During the debate on the general deficiency bill, it was shown that sinesees were thick as peas in a pod. It was shown that committee clerks, the moment they do any real work, use their pull with members to get extra pay therefor, and that they have been succeeding in getting much money in the shape of gratuities simply because nobody made it his business to oppose these petty raids on the public fund. The clerk of one committee claimed, and will get \$1,000 extra for reading proof of testimony taken by his committee, clerks of the Pension Bureau, detailed to help the Pension committees, of Congress, are presented with \$500 each in addition to their regular salaries, and clerks who have compiled a few pages from the Congressional Record, in regular office hours; are given from \$300 to \$2,000 each for extra work. A little dialogue between Representative Canon, Chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations, who reported the bill, and Representative Loud of Cal., shows how carelessly these items are scrutinized before they are presented to the House. Mr. Loud: "Who is William L. Stiles, who is to receive an appropriation as a messenger for the Committee on accounts?" Mr. Canon: "Well, if God doesn't know him any better than I do, he is lost." It has recently become known that a man has for a long time been drawing a salary as clerk of one of the important committees of the Senate, Foreign Relations, who did not even come to Washington during the session of Congress, to make a bluff of doing the work which was performed by two assistants.

Another method of extravagance which has flourished under this administration, is connected with the enormous expenses piled up by some of the departmental bureaus. For instance, when Congress provided for the Bureau of Animal Industry of the Department of Agriculture, it provided for one Chief at \$3,000 a year, one clerk at \$1,500, and twenty inspectors at \$10.00 a day. The expenses of that bureau during the last fiscal year, as shown by the official figures, have grown to nearly a million dollars, as follows: Salaries \$796,319.61, traveling expenses, 22,647.85, miscellaneous \$101,634.48. Senator Tillman may have opened the way for many Southern veterans of the Mexican war to get on the Pension rolls, when he succeeded in getting a bill pensioning Jim Thomas, a Mexican veteran, which had passed the Senate, through the House, by swearing that not another private pension bill should go through the Senate until it was passed. It is claimed that its passage is practically a repeal of the law, barring those Mexican veterans who sympathized with the Confederate cause from the pension rolls.

## Programme for N. S. Convention.

The undersigned committee begs to announce the following programme for the session of the Watauga County Baptist Sunday School Convention to be held at Three Forks church on the 29th, 30th and 31st days of March, 1901.

Introductory sermon by Elder L. C. Wilson at 11, a. m., Friday the 29th.

Organization of the Convention at 1 p. m.

Subjects for discussion:

1st. Should the churches elect superintendents or should their selection be left to the schools?—L. W. Farthing, Rev. J. J. L. Sherwood and R. W. Walker.

2. What qualifications shall a Sunday School teacher possess, and should the Superintendent appoint or classes elect them?—Smith Hagaman, A. Roten, Revs. Geo. W. Trivett and John Norris.

Open Question Box  
3. Should Lesson Helps now used be dispensed with, or their general use encouraged?—P. C. Harman, Revs. David Green and D. C. Harman.

4. How can parents and old people be induced to take more interest in the Sunday School, and would not deeper interest on their part greatly advance the Sunday School work?—W. S. Farthing, T. L. Day and Rev. E. F. Jones.

5. What cardinal truths should be kept before the classes and most earnestly impressed upon the minds of the scholars?—L. M. Trivett, E. J. Norris and Rev. J. H. Farthing.

6. Should not giving be persistently taught, and what objects appeal most strongly to Sunday Schools?—C. J. Cottrell, Wesley Green and J. M. Payne.

On Sunday morning at 10 o'clock Prof. B. B. Dougherty will deliver an appropriate address.

The discussions will be opened by speakers as indicated, but all questions will be open to any one desiring to participate. It is hoped that every Baptist church and Sunday School in Watauga county will be represented.

A cordial and earnest invitation is extended to all Sunday School workers to be with us and assist in making this one of the most pleasant and profitable sessions of the Convention.

J. C. BROWN,  
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## A Good Cough medicine for Children.

"I have no hesitancy in recommending Chamberlain's Cough Remedy," says F. P. Moran, a well known and popular baker of Petersburg Va. "We have given it to our children when troubled with bad coughs, also whooping cough, and it has always given perfect satisfaction. It was recommended to me by a druggist as the best cough medicine for children as it contained no opium or other harmful drug." Sold by Blackburn.

Every time a woman mentions her age a man is reminded that history repeats itself.

## As to That Dog Tax.

Editor Democrat.

As I have seen several articles relative to a tax on the bow-wow, principally for killing sheep. Of course they are very destructive to sheep and a great draw back to that industry in Western North Carolina, as they destroy many hundred dollar's worth annually.

These sheep-killing dogs are usually kept by a class of people that buy the principal part of their living and can't afford to feed them a sufficient amount of food to keep them from doing mischief.

In this settlement last winter two families had two small dogs, and one night they killed nine sheep for F. P. Mast, also causing the loss of fifteen or twenty lambs, and I am satisfied that those two dogs on that night cost Mast one hundred dollars damage, and I am fully satisfied that the two dogs never benefited their owners five cents in their lives.

Then what about the suck-egg dog? Of course no one ever owned a suck-egg dog. I never did, but all the same, when I want an egg for breakfast I say, old lady, why can't we have eggs for breakfast this morning? and she replies: "Kill those old dogs and we can." And so the fat's in the fire. And to a man who has an energetic wife who wants to buy the family necessities with eggs needs no explanation as to what follows. So let's have a tax on the bow-wow. If it is constitutional to have a per capita tax on them, have that, and if it is not, have a privilege tax to keep a dog, say one dollar a year, the same to be applied to the school fund. No one could object to paying that on a good dog and surely no one would object to killing his dog if he is not worth a dollar a year to him.

Now, let's act on this matter, and I will suggest a plan of action. I believe John McBride started the ball to rolling, so let him take a position in his township, J. J. T. Reese in his, D. F. Baird in his, C. J. Cottrell in his, L. A. Green in his, Will Thomas on the North Fork and someone in every township and petition the legislature to pass a dog law privilege tax for Watauga county, and the tax to go to the public school fund of the county. We must act if we mean business.

T. C. McBRIDE.  
**Remarkable Cures of Rheumatism.**  
Rutherfordton, N. C., Vindicator: The Vindicator has had occasion to test the efficiency of Chamberlain's Pain Balm twice with the most remarkable results in both cases. First, with rheumatism in the shoulder from which he suffered excruciating pain for ten days, which was relieved with two applications of Pain Balm, rubbing the parts afflicted and realizing instant benefit and entire relief in a very short time. Second, in rheumatism in high joint, almost prostrating him with severe pain, which was relieved by two applications, rubbing with the liniment on retiring at night, and getting up free from pain. For sale by Blackburn.

## Extracts from the Commons.

Paul Kruger has just submitted to an operation for defective vision. He strained his eyes looking for justice among the crowned heads of Europe.

One of the democratic papers discusses "The passage of Hanna" but the trouble is the Senate from Ohio has the cat's habit of coming back.

The floral tributes which greeted Mr. Quay on his reelection to the Senate recall the fact that flowers like showers fall alike on the just and the unjust.

The recent burnings in the Northern States will temporarily embarrass these republican papers which take pleasure in descanting on "Southern outrages."

The war in the Philippines is so near over that Secretary Root refuses to let 10,000 volunteers come home before he has 17,000 more to take their places.

Mr. Rockefeller will doubt less point to the anti-trust well in Texas as a proof that the Standard Oil Company is deserving of a subsidy for its tank-ships.

The parcels post has been indefinitely postponed. Senator Platt is president of an express company; with this as a basis it is not difficult to reason from cause to effect.

If some genius will invent a green-back with an interest coupon attached it is believed that Mr. Secretary Gage will soon be able to look it in the face without growing faint.

It seems that some of the republicans still shy at the gold standard when it comes around a corner suddenly. Just now the proposition to redeem the silver dollar is making them nervous.

The large army idea seems to be more popular with republicans now than it was just before the election. Let us also hope that it is more popular now than it will be four years hence.

Adjutant General Corbin has just received from the Sultan archipelago one of his Majesty's flags. The Sultan isn't willing to have it hauled down but he can loan it to the department in return for a few unconditional court-sies.

## Over-Work Weakens Your Kidneys.

Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.

All the blood in your body passes through your kidneys once every three minutes. The kidneys are your blood purifiers, they filter out the waste impurities in the blood. If they are sick or out of order, they fail to do their work. Pains, aches and rheumatism come from excess of uric acid in the blood, due to neglected kidney trouble.

Kidney trouble causes quick or unsteady heart beats, and makes one feel as though they had heart trouble, because the heart is over-working in pumping thick, kidney-poisoned blood through veins and arteries. It used to be considered that only urinary troubles were to be traced to the kidneys, but now modern science proves that nearly all constitutional diseases have their beginning in kidney trouble. If you are sick you can make no mistake by first doctoring your kidneys. The mild and extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases and is sold on its merits by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail. Home of Swamp-Root, also pamphlet telling you how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. Mention this paper when writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.