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WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent.

"If the president desires a thorough investigation of the Postoffice scandals and the exposure of the rascals rather than a whitewashing, he had better manage to infuse a little of his strenuousness into his Postmaster General," said a prominent official of the Government to your correspondent today and that is the general impression among all who have closely watched the course of events since Postmaster General Payne returned from his southern cruise. It is evident that the Postmaster General has no heart in the investigations which are being conducted by the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow and that, as a result of political influence, or for other reasons he would like to prolong the affair until the public is weary of it and then drop it with as little publicity as possible. With an evident desire to curtail the publicity which the affair has been receiving in the newspapers, the Postmaster General has twice taken occasion to say to the newspaper correspondents whom he receives each day at 4 p. m., that he would expect them to prove the allegations which they send to their papers and that it was more than possible that General Bristow would attempt to drag them into the investigation and make them testify as to the sources of their information. Charges of the gravest import are being filed almost daily but no word regarding them is given to the public and it is doubtful if they will ever be made public unless on an unequivocal order from the President or on the imperative request of Congress.

The appearance of "Constitution" Abner M. Kinley in Washington this week was not altogether surprising but it is taken to conform the rumor that Mr. McKinley is trying to protect his old friend, Superintendent Machen, of the Postoffice Department from him went immediately to the Postmaster General with whom he was closeted for some time. I was generally believed that when Perry Heath was First Assistant Postmaster General, it was Mr. McKinley that effected the withdrawal of the request for Mr. Machen's resignation which had been made at that time.

A proceeding which reflects grave discredit on certain officials of the Administration has just come to light in connection with the smuggling cases in Porto Rico. Officers of the Army and Navy and some civilians were recently arrested for smuggling wines, silks and tobacco into Porto Rico, and the case was taken up at the instance of the United States Attorney for the island. When Secretary of the Navy, Moody, Postmaster General Payne, Representative Cannon and others were in Porto Rico they were appealed to in the mat-

ter and immediately on their return to Washington the United States Attorney was instructed to "not pros" the cases. The Porto Rican judge refused to entertain the plea, however, and the grand jury has indicted the officers and civilians. The Department of Justice, on being notified that the local judge refused to dismiss the cases cabled the attorney in part, "Considerations of moment not confined to Porto Rico or individuals involved have moved Administration, after full investigation and deliberation, to course directed which will be adhered to." What will be the further course of the Administration, now that the culprits have been indicted, remains to be seen, but it is difficult to see reason or justice in the apparent exemption granted to smugglers, apparently on the ground that they are army and navy officers who should be first to uphold the law.

A news item has reached Washington from Ohio which has excited the keenest interest. It is to the effect that Senator Hanna is no longer enjoy the position of supreme dictator of republican affairs in his state but must, as a result of his defeat in Cleveland by Major Johnson, share his dictatorship with Senator Foraker and George B. Cox, of Cincinnati. The information is of special interest because of the fact that the Ohio republicans hold their state convention in June to select a candidate for Governor and Mr. Hanna has already selected his candidate, Mr. Myron T. Herrick. In selecting Mr. Herrick Senator Hanna turned down General Dick, of Akron, now a member of Congress. General Dick has long had gubernatorial aspirations and there are those who believe he will land the plum this year despite Mr. Hanna. Meanwhile the mere suggestion of a factional fight in republican ranks strikes terror to the Republican politicians because of the strength of Tom Johnson.

Rumors of the necessity of an investigation in the Navy Department, especially one that would go very thoroughly into the question of ammunition and contracts let for naval vessels, continue to circulate despite the efforts of the Secretary to discredit them. The accident on the Iowa, the damage to the Maine, the prompt disavowal of any responsibility on the part of the contractors, by officers of the Navy almost before there had been time to ascertain the full extent of the damage to the latter vessel are all cited as indicating the necessity for a full and thorough investigation, and it is said that some very forcible truths will be presented to the President on his return to Washington.

A scheme put into operation, by which Secretary Shaw has just afforded the National City Bank of New York an opportunity to make some very handsome profits in connection with his bond

refunding scheme has just come to light and has occasioned the greatest indignation on the part of the New York bankers. The Secretary caused to be addressed from the list of registered bondholders in the possession of the Treasury Department, circulars to the bank named, offering to purchase the 4 per cent bonds and exchange them for the new issue of 2 per cents. As there is a very handsome profit in the transaction for the bank making this exchange add the Secretary was party to the scheme numerous protests are being received.

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The Asheville folks are strictly in it. They had a horse show Saturday which was a swell event and which was participated in by Mr. and Mrs. Vanderbilt, Miss Alice Roosevelt, daughter of the President, and others of the Four Hundred. Miss Alice Roosevelt distributed the prizes. A charity bazaar was also given at Biltmore last week under the auspices of Mrs. Vanderbilt. It was opened by Miss Roosevelt and the receipts, which were for the Biltmore Hospital, amounted to more than \$1,000.—Ex.

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South Dakota vs. North Carolina

The suit which has been pending in the Supreme Court of the United States was argued last week. Hon. Wheeler H. Peckum, ex-Governor Russell and ex-Senator Butler represented South Dakota and the second mortgage bondholders, while ex-Judge shepherd, ex-Judge Merrimon and Hon. Geo. E. Roundtree represented North Carolina.

In 1866 North Carolina issued about 2,500,000 worth of bonds to aid in the construction of the North Carolina railroad. In 1879 North Carolina, being hopelessly in debt, compromised these bonds for 25 cents on the dollar, not counting interest. Parties in New York having \$250,000 worth of bonds refused to compromise. Not being able to bring suit against a sovereign State, they gave the educational fund of South Dakota \$10,000, so that she might institute suit, and they might make themselves parties.

North Carolina urges that this attempt to sue her by donating a part of the bonds to another State and getting that state to institute suit is a fraud upon jurisdiction; that Schaffer Bros., the owners of the bonds, are trying to do indirectly what they cannot do directly; and that the owners of the bonds got them for only a small part of their face value, well knowing that the bonds were almost worthless; and that in 1879, these owners were offered a fair compromise which they refused.

It would be useless to predict the outcome of the suit. Eminent lawyers are divided in their opinions. As North Carolinians, we are all interested in the matter, and want justice done. But we feel that the charge of turpitude made against the State by her citizens, ex-Governor Russell and ex-Senator Butler, are without foundation, and comes with poor grace from these men who have been so highly honored by her.

Pointed Paragraphs.

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I wouldn't abuse little boys who had no big boys for me to be afraid of.

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